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OUTLINES.

Many inquiries are received at the State Department as to Americans now in Sicily. The number of victims of the earthquake is now placed at 115,000. The King and Queen have gone to Messina and engaged actively in the work of rescue of the injured. ——The Italian consulate officials in Norfolk are from Messina and can hear nothing from relatives and of friends there——The Supreme Court of the United States will soon pass on the question of railroads giving passes to newspapers in exchange for advertising——The passengers on a steamer witnessed the disaster to the city of Messina——At Washington, N. C., May Woodard shoots to death John Emerson Stone, then turns the pistol on herself——Roanoke went dry yesterday by a majority of 86——The lawyer for the defense in the Hains-Annis trial breaks down and the court takes a recess because of it——The defense in the trial of the alleged Tennessee night riders for the murder of Capt. Rankin yesterday introduced witnesses, most all of whom are relatives of the indicted men. The court ruled that the laws of Tennessee would not permit a wife to testify for her husband——William L. Mathues, former treasurer of Pennsylvania, recently sentenced to two years for alleged conspiracy against the State, died suddenly yesterday——Mrs. Ann Trotter was cruelly murdered by her son while in a fit of insanity, in New York yesterday——The American Historical Association, with a number of noted educators in attendance, is in session in Richmond, Va.——Will Drew, a white man, and a negro named Warren, charged with the murder of John Mitchell, were given a preliminary trial at Edenton yesterday and held without bail.——New York markets: Money on call 3 to 3 1-4 per cent., ruling rate 3 1-4, closing bid 2 1-2, offered at 3. Flour dull but firm. Wheat firm, No. 2 red 1.08 to 1.09 1-2 elevator. Corn firm, No. 2, 66 elevator. Oats steady, mixed 54 to 54 1-2. Rosin steady. Turpentine quiet 41 1-4. Cotton quiet, middling uplands 9.10, middling gulf 9.35.

Seats on the water wagons will be at a premium tomorrow.

Your New Year resolution will be apt to last longer this year than ever before.

A Governor publicly advocating lynch law is something new in this State.

You must do one of two things today—either lay in a supply or swear off in earnest.

Our Winter has not come yet, but do not for this reason think that we are to have none.

No doubt the President of France is glad that it was his beard instead of his leg that Paris waiter pulled.

Pittsburg seems determined that the capital of the State shall not get ahead of her in the matter of graft.

These days "graft" is not only spelled with a big "G," but with the other four letters in the word in capital letters. Its all the go.

Money seems to be scarce everywhere. The National treasury is short. So is the State treasury, and the same seems to be the condition of most every man we know.

Did you enjoy those cigars your wife gave you as a Christmas present, bought at about the rate of a dollar a hundred, which dollar she probably "found" in your pocket while you were asleep?

The "big ditch" germ is said to be a new bacillus the scientists have discovered. So far, it has been found to exist only in the systems of members of the national Government at Washington.

As the Star has said heretofore, it wants to see the prohibition law enforced, but it wants to see it done through legal process, and not by a crowd of men armed with shotguns, led by the Governor of the State taking the law into their own hands.

A shotgun in every man's hands and predetermined intention to bankrupt the State Treasury are new principles of State Government to the people of North Carolina. They have been used to their Governor's advocating law and order and conservative handling of State funds.

Brandenburg, the man who is charged with having fraudulently put the name of Grover Cleveland to a newspaper article during the late presidential campaign for the purpose of helping the Republicans is being furnished with money by "anonymous friends" for his defense. That looks bad for Brandenburg and his friends.

Deposits made on or before Jan. 2nd will bear interest from Jan. 1st at the Wilmington Savings and Trust Company. tf

DOINGS IN RALEIGH

Well-Known Business Man is Stricken With Paralysis at Fishing Club.

GUARANTEE BANK DEPOSITS

Lumberton Banker Says Business Interests Want to be Let Alone—A. & M. Trustees—Number of Corporation Chartered.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 30.—M. A. Parker, a well known business man here, was stricken with paralysis while spending a few days at the Panther Branch Fishing Club, this county, and has been brought to his home here in a dangerous condition. He is 62 years old and the stroke is really on the order of apoplexy, the bursting of a blood vessel in the head being the most serious complication.

A. W. McLean, of Lumberton, who is president of two State banks in his section, declared here today that it would be most unfortunate for party leaders to permit the agitation of the question of State bank deposit guarantee at this session of the Legislature; that he and the bankers throughout his section are decidedly opposed to any such legislation at this time. His opposition is not based on the merits or lack of merit in such propositions generally, but on the ground that the banking and business interests generally want to be let alone at this time. He says there has been enough disturbance already. He favors a change in the law so that no one can de director unless he holds at least five shares and a prohibition of any hypothecation of these shares during service as director. He fears even discussion of any need for bank deposit guarantee would tend to revive lack of confidence among a large class and do great harm.

The Board of Directors of the A. & M. College spent the day in session here, preparing its report and recommendations to the Legislature, a notable feature of which will be insistence that there be an appropriation of $25,000 or more for a model college barn to take the place of the old "ramshackle" affair now in use and which, it is claimed, greatly handicaps the work of the college in demonstrating the best farm barn methods. Among those here for the session are W. B. Cooper, Wilmington; J. T. Ellington, Johnston; E. M. Koonce, Onslow; M. D. Stickley, Cabarrus, and W. H. Ragan, High Point.

The trustees passed a resolution tonight to provide for twenty boys to work their way through college each session as farm laborers, taking the college course at the same time. They will urge the legislature to provide an additional dormitory and the college barn.

Four new corporations received charters today. The Randolph Power Co., $100,000 capital, by C. W. Petty, H. C. Petty and M. W. Parrish, with principal office Greensboro and purpose the development of water power in Randolph county for electrical purposes; The Prim Co., High Point, capital $5,000 by A. E. Prim, A. A. Prim and A. L. Grandy, for mercantile business; The Godwin Bros. Co., Inc., capital $5,000, by L. E. Godwin and others for drug business at Pine Level, Johnston county; The Blue Ridge Construction Co., Asheville, increasing capital $10,000 to $15,000. R. C. Stevens is president.

The Suffolk Lumber Company, of Jacksonville, N. C., was incorporated yesterday with an authorized capital of $100,000. The company will begin business with $50,000. The principal incorporators are: Messrs. J. M. Wiggins, G. L. Wiggins, and J. C. Wiggins, all of Suffolk, Va.

Delgado Sunday School.

The Christmas exercises at Delgado Presbyterian Sunday School on Tuesday night proved most enjoyable to the members and large number of friends present and was one of the prettiest of the many similar holiday events this season. The decorations in keeping with the season were especially beautiful. A number of musical renditions under the direction of Mr. James E. Willson and a tableaux were most entertaining features. Selections were rendered from the Christmas cantata, "The Messiah," and a large number took part in the singing. Those who composed the orchestra were Messrs. W. A. Martin, Cameron F. MacRae and W. A. Woods, with Mrs. E. C. Holt, leading soprano.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

A. Rothschild—A Card.
J. W. Plummer, Jr.—Ice Cream.
American National Bank—Safest.
Crystal Palace—Extra Big Feature.

Business Locals.

Wanted—Gray Foxes.
Henry Turner—Investing.
Wanted—Horse For Board.
Wanted—High Grade Piano.
U. C. Ellis Studio—Photographs.

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A FAITHFUL COLORED MAN

March Edward Walker, Life-Long Democrat, City Employe and One of Oldest Residents Passed Away Yesterday.

There passed away at the James Walker Memorial Hospital in this city yesterday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock March Edward Walker, one of the best known and most faithful colored men of Wilmington, enjoying the respect and esteem of both white and colored.

Walker had been in poor health for several months and went to the hospital for treatment shortly before the holidays. Having been born on January 1st 1838, he was in the 70th year of his age at the time of his death. A life-long Democrat, one of the old school Southern colored gentlemen, his devotion to his friends of the white race even in the troublous times of the racial differences was marked and his courtly and respectful bearing in the community was frequently commented upon. For 19 or 20 years he was a member of the police force and for the past eight or ten years had been the faithful janitor at the Front Street Market House. Chairman Martin Rathjen, of the Market Committee of the Board of Aldermen, when informed of his death yesterday, took occasion to pay a splendid tribute to his fidelity and devotion to his duty, giving up at the last only because he was forced to it. Chairman Rathjen and Aldermen Karr and King, of the committee, with other members of the Board of Aldermen, together with many friends of the white race are arranging to attend the funeral which will be conducted from the First Baptist Church, colored, this morning at 11:30 o'clock. The remains were removed from the hospital yesterday to the home of one of his four surviving daughters, all grown, at No. 125 South Eleventh street and will be taken thence to the church for the obsequies this morning. In addition to the daughters, two sons are also surviving, Altamore and Harry Walker, both of Wilmington.

The prominence of the deceased, his undying friendship for his "white folks" and his sterling character call for this more than the ordinary extended notice of his death. He was indeed diligent in small things and in the daily walks of life was one above reproach.

JONES IN AT BRUNSWICK.

Wilmington Tug With Tow Arrived There Early Yesterday for Coal.

A telegram to the owners in this city yesterday announced the safe arrival at Brunswick, Ga., of the tug Alexander Jones, with the schooner Carrie A. Norton in tow for this port from Kingston, Jamaica. The telegram was from Capt. W. A. Sanders and stated that the voyage would be resumed at the earliest possible moment and that they would reach Wilmington Friday or Saturday. A letter from Capt. Sanders says the voyage down to Jamaica was a splendid one, the Jones having averaged 10 1-2 knots per hour with never having slowed her engines down from Cape Fear bar to Jamaica. Some delay was caused in Kingston by not being able to sign a suitable crew but otherwise the tow has been a quick and very successful one. The schooner Norton belongs to the Gilbert Transportation Co., and Capt. O. A. Gilbert, the managing owner, will be here Monday to arrange for her tow north by the Jones with the schooner Horace P. Shares, which is already here.

GIFT TO SUPERINTENDENT.

Mr. John J. Sheehan Kindly Remembered by Street Car Employes.

As a token of their appreciation of his courteous and kindly treatment during the past year, the motormen and conductors of the Tidewater Power Company on Christmas Day presented to Superintendent of Transportation John J. Sheehan a very handsome watch fob with a very handsome Knights of Columbus emblem, suitably inscribed with his initials, date and occasion. The gift is very highly prized by Supt. Sheehan not only for its intrinsic value but for the sentiment behind it from the men with whom he has worked so pleasantly to give Wilmington the best car service it has ever enjoyed. Mr. Sheehan also wears another very handsome watch charm presented to him just ten years ago by the traction employes of Yonkers, N. Y., where he was engaged in 1898.

His Eightieth Anniversary.

The Star joins the hundreds of friends of Colonel John L. Cantwell in felicitating him upon his eightieth anniversary which he celebrated on Tuesday. Colonel Cantwell had a large number of callers at his home on Princess street and Mrs. Frank L. Huggins entertained at her home during the evening in honor of her honored father. It is the wish of all that he may be spared to observe many other happy occasions of like character.

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SEQUEL TO THE CASE

Columbus County Man Mourned as Dead Suddenly Put in Appearance After Months.

SUPPOSED REMAINS BURIED

Exhumed and Found to be Those of an Animal—Polices of $5,000 Insurance Carried and Investigation Revealed Facts.

Like a story from a dime novel reads an account of the sensational disappearance, the reappearance and the subsequent developments in the case of Harley Hayes, a young white man, who formerly resided at Fair Bluff, Columbus county, and who for months was mourned as dead, and then returned after his supposed body had been buried in the family cemetery of his father.

The story was recently printed in the Lumberton Robesonian and this account simply has to do with subsequent developments in connection with the exhuming of the supposed body by the father and the discovery that the remains were those of a hog, instead of the son who had been mourned as dead and upon whose life demand had been made upon the Metropolitan and two other life insurance companies for payment of policies of $5,000, which Hayes had carried in those companies. News of the later development in the case was brought to the city yesterday by Messrs. Ed Hill and W. M. Ford, leading merchants of Page's Mill, S. C., where the father of Hayes now resides.

Hayes about the first of April moved from Page's Mill to Fair Bluff and was engaged chiefly in fishing in Lumber river. He had a wife and two or three children and the latter part of July went fishing in the river with a friend about a mile below Fair Bluff, the two men remaining in boats until about 11 o'clock at night. The companion of Hayes stated that he wanted to go home and Hayes remarked that he would try his luck a little further down the stream and rowed off. That was the last seen of him alive for some time, a party having turned out in search of the body the following morning when the man did not return, and having found the boat tied up at the bank, a chain around a stump and the man's hat and oar in the bottom of the craft. Search was continued for the body all that Sunday and for several days thereafter but no trace of the missing man was found. Three weeks later, however, after a big freshet, about a mile below where Hayes was supposed to have been drowned, the trunk of a body was seen floating down the river. The coroner was notified and with the wife and father and several prominent citizens of Fair Bluff, an investigation was made. The head, arms and legs were gone as if eaten off by creatures of the water, but the coat buttoned tightly around the trunk was identified as that of Hayes and the wife produced from her home the vest to match the coat. Out of the pockets were taken papers belonging to Hayes, a bank book, belt, watch, chain and other articles with a book in which there were entries in the man's own hand. The coroner's jury empanelled to pass on the case, returned a verdict that the deceased came to his death by accidental drowning in Lumber River and the father carried the remains, badly decomposed, however, and interred them in the family cemetery, Harley Hayes being mourned as dead.

Three policies on the life of the deceased were carried by the Metropolitan, the Virginia and one other company for an aggregate of $5,000 and naturally claim was made by the estate for the amount. In due time proofs of death were made up but the companies refused to pay the policies on the ground that they did not believe the man was drowned. There was considerable feeling against the companies in the community for the resistance of the claims and it is said lawyers were being retained to prosecute the case in the courts for the supposed widow and children when Hayes suddenly put a sensational stop to all proceedings by appearing in person. It is stated that Hayes had been living under another name at Manning, S. C., and that he was discovered there by a detective employed by the insurance companies. At any rate he returned home and remained there for some time, but it is now stated that he has left the community again. So far as is learned, he made no explanation of his continued absence but did say that he was not responsible for the efforts made to collect the insurance on his life and could not be blamed for that. No effort was made toward his prosecution and the identity of the remains buried in the family cemetery of the elder Mr. Hayes was left as the only part of the mystery to be solved. The father of Hayes settled the question by exhuming the body, according to the stories which reached the city yesterday, and the disclosure was made that the remains were those of a hog. How the clothing came to be on the carcass is not explained but it is easily to be seen how the coroner's jury and the family could have been mistaken in the horribly decomposed state of the remains. This fact alone prevented the ordinary funeral services at the time of the interment and the fact that the remains might never have been discovered as other than those of a human is said to be due to the fact that when exhumed, the hair was found on the animal. The elder Mr. Hayes removed the remains and re-interred them elsewhere in the event the insurance companies may desire to pursue the investigation further.

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FOR VACANT JUDGESHIP

Acute Fight Seems to Have Developed at Washington and President's Appointment May be Indefinitely Delayed—The Candidates.

From what can be learned in well informed circles here, it appears that the President will likely make no appointment to the Federal judgeship for the Eastern District of North Carolina for some time yet. A most acute fight has developed at Washington among the active candidates for the place, all of which politicians will require time for investigation and decision by President Roosevelt.

A dispatch from Washington to yesterday's Charlotte Observer says that the all-absorbing question there just now in this connection is "Shall the President go out of the district to get a successor to Judge Purnell?" The correspondent has it from a reliable source that the President has said he would not go out of the district for a man if a capable man can be found within the district and this has given great encouragement to the friends of Col. Harry Skinner, though E. C. Duncan is against him for Spencer B. Adams and is working with all the cunning he can command for the State Chairman. Col. Skinner has been to Washington and has personally seen the President. The influence of ex-Senator Marion Butler, at one time quite effective in the White House, is said to be against both of them. New names mentioned in connection with the appointment are T. T. Hicks, of Henderson; Seawell, of Carthage, and James R. Gaskill, of Tarboro. In all the dispatches from Washington, the name of Mr. Iredell Meares, of Wilmington, continues to appear in spite of the fact he is making no active fight for the appointment and his friends are encouraged to believe that should the acute fight continue between the politicians, the President may rise above strictly party lines and settle upon the Wilmington man. The motive of Duncan's approval of Adams' candidature is said to be an aspiration to be State chairman himself in addition to his National Committee membership from North Carolina. The fight is being watched with much interest by men of all parties.

MRS. LUCY SHANNON BAXTER.

Beautiful Tribute Paid to Her Memory by the Goldsboro Argus.

The Goldsboro Argus of Monday afternoon in announcing the death of Mrs. William I. Baxter, of this city, pays the following beautiful tribute to her memory:

"Mrs. Baxter was of singular grace of character and great goodness of heart. No one could have been more considerate of the feelings of others than she. The lowliest as well as the highest with whom she came in contact felt at once that she was full of human sympathy and that she was the unfeigned friend of all alike. Her untimely end, through the travail of young motherhood, is one of those tragedies that break the heartstrings and overwhelm friends and kindred with grief as of blackest night. But her faith looked up to Him to see whose face is the joy of the elect."

Adrress by Captain Pruitt.

Captain J. H. Pruitt, of New York, National President of the American Association of Masters, Mates and Pilots, is in the city, a guest at The Orton with Mrs. Pruitt and child, and last night delivered an inspiring address to members of Cape Fear Harbor at their rooms on Water street. Captain Pruitt is concluding a three months tour of all the harbors of the association in America, and, though young, the local branch of the organization ,it is a pleasure to note, was found in excellent condition.

Architect's Furniture Released.

The property of Mr. Chas. McMillen, which was recently attached by the creditors in the hands of the Coast Line following his departure from this State, was yesterday released by Constable Savage, after payment of claims to the amount of some $239 and the costs of the attachment proceedings which were issued from Justice Furlong's office some two weeks ago. The automobile owned by Mr. McMillen, is in a local garage, and remains under attachment.

Mr. Garrison Dies in Pender.

The death of Mr. A. J. Garrison, a resident of Pender county, occurred at his home near Harrison Creek, on Tuesday, after an illness covering a period of several weeks. The deceased was 48 years old and surviving is a wife and six children of the immediate family. The funeral was held yesterday morning at 10 o'clock from Harrison Creek Church, and was attended by a large number of acquaintances of the deceased.

COVINGTON—MURPHY

Prominent Young Greensboro Business Man Claims Attractive Bride in Wilmington.

WEDDED YESTERDAY EVENING

Grace Methodist Episcopal Church Scene of Pretty Marriage of Miss Louise Keith Covington and Mr. I. Wright Murphy.

Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, this city, beautifully decorated and thronged with friends and admirers of the young people to the marriage vow, never presented a more pleasing environment for a wedding ceremony that that of Miss Louise Keith Covington, an attractive and accomplished young woman of this city, and Mr. I. Wright Murphy, a prominent young business man of Greensboro, N. C., which was solemnized at half after eight o'clock last evening.

The altar was banked with palms and ferns with festoons of Southern smilax while the same form of decoration was used throughout the church as skilfully arranged by Render, the florist. Mrs. Chasten presided at the organ, rendering an overture from Poet and Peasant and the "Angel's Serenade" with other selections as the guests were assembling, this giving way at the appointed hour to the bridal chorus from Lohengrin, which announced the approach of the wedding party. The groomsmen came first by twos, Dr. J. G. Murphy, of this city, a brother of the groom, and Mr. W. L. Williams, of Raleigh, and Mr. C. M. Brand, of Sumter, S. C., and Mr. Eric Norden, of Wilmington. Then came the bridesmaids by twos, Miss Isabel Brown, of Salisbury, and Miss Marguerite Thompson, of Baltimore, and Miss Faith Covington, of Rockingham, and Miss Dell Sutton, of Fayetteville These immediately preceded the maid of honor, Miss Nora Thompson, of Baltimore, and the bride, who entered with her brother, Mr. Charles C. Covington, by whom she was given away. The bride was joined at the altar by the groom, who came in from the Sunday School room, accompanied by his best man, his brother, Mr. Paul P. Murphy, of Lowell, N. C. When all had taken their places at the altar, the pastor, Rev. T. A. Smoot, spoke the beautiful service which joined them in the holy bonds, the beautiful ring service having been used.

The bride was handsomely gowned in white satin, trimmed with Duchesse lace, tulle veil and carried a lovely shower bouquet of white roses and lilies of the valley. The maid of honor was pretty in a beautiful creation of pink imported crepe and carried a bouquet of pink roses. The bridesmaids were prettily gowned in costumes of white striped net over white messaline and carried bouquets of pink carnations. The gentlemen attendants wore the conventional evening dress with boutonnieres of pink carnations.

The wedding was described by quite all in attendance as one of the prettiest they ever witnessed. The party left the church in reverse order to the strains of Mendelssohn's Wedding March, repairing to the home of the bride's brother, No. 519 Grace street, where an elegant reception was given in honor of the party from 9 to 11 o'clock. The large number of very handsome wedding gifts evidence in no uncertain manner the high esteem in which both the bride and groom are held here and elsewhere.

Mr. and Mrs. Murphy will leave this morning for a bridal tour North, returning from which in about ten days they will be at home in Greensboro, where the groom is a member of the firm of Murphy Brothers, leading merchants of the Gate City. Their numerous friends here hope they will make frequent visits to Wilmington where both are highly esteemed.

Among the number of out-of-town guests here for the ceremony other than those named in connection with the several ante-nuptial social affairs which have been given in honor of the couple, was Miss Penelope Wright, of Coharrie, N. C.

Operation Very Successfuul.

The operation for appendicitis performed yesterday by Dr. Jos. Akerman upon young Mr. Norwood Pearsall, of Rocky Point, at the James Walker Memorial Hospital, was very successful in every respect and a telephone message from the hospital last night states that the young man is doing very nicely indeed. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Pearsall, are here with him and are guests at The Colonial Inn.

New Year's Golf Match.

Members of Cape Fear Golf Club are arranging for a 27-hole men's handicap match on the links New Year's day when a large number of members and guests are expected. An oyster roast and luncheon will be served in the handsome new club house and the day is being anticipated with much pleasure by those who will attend.

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SUPPRESSING CRIME BY LAWLESSNESS.

We were forcibly struck by the difference in tone of the remarks made by Governor Glenn and Mayor Springer in reference to the enforcement of the prohibition law, as published in yesterday's Star.

The mayor's remarks were dignified and in keeping with the responsible office he holds as chief executive of the principle city of the State. He pledged himself to use the full power of the office he holds and of the police force under his control in the enforcement of the lay using the law and the legal machinery in his hands for the enforcement of this law, as he does of all others which come within his jurisdiction. There is no lawabiding citizen of the city who does not commend him for the course he has mapped out for his course of conduct in this matter. There is no boasting or bragging of what he would do if his term of office were to last longer. There are no fiery words about shotgun suppression of crime or of extravagant expenditure of the people's money in a spectacular pretense of enforcing one law while tacitly allowing all other criminal statutes to be violated at the will of the criminal class of the State.

There are now as there will be after January 1st next other criminal statutes in this State which should be enforced and the violators of which should be punished, and which should receive, as the Governor has claimed they should, the special attention of the Governor as the highest executive officer in the State. Only one of these will be mentioned—that of murder by lynching. If we are not greatly mistaken, more persons have been lynched in this State during Governor Glenn's administration than ever before during the same length of time in the history of our State, and only one of the persons guilty of these crimes has been convicted and he because he had gone about boasting of the part he had taken in one of the lynchings. He was sentenced to the penitentiary for a term of years, but soon made his escape. Many other kinds of crimes are daily committed in the State, still we do not hear of the Governor declaring that he favors the chief executive suppressing such criminal conduct by putting a gun in the hands of every man in the State and bankrupting the State treasury in an effort to put a stop to them.

In all due respect to our Governor, does not such language on his part tend to increase lawlessness in the State instead of suppressing it?

THE FEDERAL JUDGESHIP.

"The scramble for a successor to Judge Purnell is on in all its fury. How many candidates there are we do not know, but there are enough and they are working as never before, for the position is for life. The Republican party is a close corporation, however, and the successful applicant must have the endorsement of Mr. Carl Duncan, who, it is said, represents Judge Pritchard, the head of the organization in the State. Fitness for the position seems to have been lost sight of; the predominant idea is to make an appointment that will do the party the most good. If the President is conversant with conditions in the State it should not take him two minutes to make a wise and eminently proper appointment, the selection of a man at once qualified and one who would see justice done though the heavens fall."—Greensboro Record.

The Record does injustice to some of the members of the bar whose names have been mentioned in connection with that office. There may be some aspirants for the office who are making unseemly efforts to secure the appointment, but there are other lawyers in the district whose names have been mentioned in this connection, who are pursuing a dignified course, feeling that this is an office which should not be "scrambled" for, who, while the appointment would delight them, would rather have it go elsewhere than to be secured by a course which they consider would lower the dignity of the office filled by such means on the part of the person securing the appointment.

With a deficit of $59,000 in the State treasury the State National Guard asks for a State appropriation of $50,000. The Guard now gets $16,000 from the State and about $65,000 from the National Government each year, and it isn't any more efficient than when it got about a fifth of the amount of the present appropriation. Will the additional $50,000 make it any better? Let's hear from the tax payers and the men who have the disbursing of the present appropriations.

One hears a good deal about the danger this country is in from the excessive immigration now and in the recent past going on. The persons who raise this alarm will be surprised to learn that during the year 1907 the number of immigrants to the United States was very little above that of the emigrants to other countries. The first numbered 724,112 and the latter 717,814; so our people are not so bad off in this respect as these calamity howlers would suppose.

A Washington dispatch states that John Early, the North Carolina leper, now being cared for by the Government, refuses to take the treatment prescribed for him by the attending physicians, claiming that he has not got leprosy. He may know more about his case than do the doctors, but a man in his fix would be on the safe side to take all the medicines the doctors prescribed.

The London Saturday Review says it is not easy to read a Roosevelt message to Congress without using a bad word, which the Greensboro Telegram amends by substituting the word "seeing" for that of "using." The two together might be appropriate.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—In nearly every case of homicide and murder reported during the Christmas holidays, the pistol played the star part. If the country was rid of this murderous implement we would get along fairly well with other reforms. Civilization can't do much with dead men and murderers—the chief products of the concealed weapon.—Chattanooga Times.

—No doubt there are bribers and bribe-takers among great and small legislators that have never been caught and some that will never be exposed and punished; but the lesson of events is that the betrayal of a public trust for money is a very dangerous piece of business. Sooner or later there is sure to be a leak in nearly every graft combination, and while it is difficult to punish some of these evil-doers, even after the evidence has been established, the penalties of exposure and scandal are heavy in themselves. Just now Mr. Nemesis is doing business in Pittsburg.—Columbia State.

—If protectionist Republicans, who are advocating a tariff duty of five cents a pound on coffee, were half as zealous in urging that the Government be administered with some proper regard for economy as they are in suggesting ways and means to meet growing deficits, there would be no occasion for additional revenue. Why not turn their attention first to curtailing disbursements? If, when this is done, additional income should still be needed, why not tax the luxuries rather than the necessities of life? Must the burden of government always fall most heavily upon those least able to bear it?—Virginian-Pilot.

—His good name is not to be filched from Dr. Clemens—not if he knows it, and his extensive experience of business human nature has made him wary. Of course, if Mark can hit upon an unusual way of attaining his ends he adopts it; otherwise he would not be America's premier humorist. It is unusual to have a corporation formed for the express purpose of protecting a name or nom de plume, and naturally this is just what the veteran author has done. The Mark Twain Company has filed articles with the New York Secretary of State, with Samuel L. Clemens and members of his family on the board of directors; its object is to secure to the author and his family all rights in the name or nom de plume, "Mark Twain." The capital of the concern is called nominal; perhaps it is impossible to estimate it. At any rate, may dividends long be paid on such extra preferred stock.—Newark News.

—Every pound of farm products brought from rural sections to thickly-populated centers has placed upon it a fictitious value, because it costs the farmer more to transport it than it would cost him were the roads in passable condition. The price of the lamb chop that the city man eats for breakfast is based, not on the real value of the lamb, but upon the cost of bringing that lamb from the Western fields to the city man's breakfast table. The cost of the breakfast roll would be trifling did it not cost the farmer who grew the wheat from which the roll was made 1.8 cents a bushel more to draw that wheat, from his farm nine miles to a railroad station than it cost to carry a bushel of wheat from New York to Liverpool, a distance of 3,100 miles. The cost of a soft-boiled egg, which is also closely related to the American breakfast, is established by the cost of transporting the product of the hen to the hotel, and not because the egg was at all intrinsically worth what was charged for it.—Scientific American.

—The fact is that the Food and Drugs act as now administered seems to allow great weight to the question whose ox it is that is being gored. The Department of Agriculture was ready enough to apply stringent regulations as to the use of copper in the first instance, and later, when the subject was referred to the three Cabinet officers having charge of the Food and Drugs act, the position of the Department was reaffirmed, with only a relatively brief period of delay prior to the date when greened vegetables should be absolutely forbidden the market. This makes it the more remarkable that the subject should now be reopened and an entirely different verdict announced, apparently as a result of strong trade and diplomatic influences. A situation analogous to that existing in other lines of food administration has thus been created, and the Government stands in the singular position of having first denounced a practice and then agreed to tolerate it pending investigation, notwithstanding its own scientists are unanimous in opposition.—Journal of Commerce.

TWINKLINGS.

—"Don't you admire the old-time melodies?" "No; I'm a fresh-air fiend."—Dramatic Telegram.

—The Landlady—What part of the chicken will you have, Mr. Newcomer? Mr. Newcomer—A little of the ouside, please.—Puck.

—"Her husband has been a sufferer for many years, hasnt he?" "I don't know—how long have they been married?"—Cleveland Leader.

—"When she hit him with the golf ball, did it knock him senseless?" "I guess so. I understand they are soon to marry."—Town and Country.

—Dashaway—How much money has Miss Spilter got? Cleverton—I don't know. I've never been enough in love with her to find out.—New York Herald.

—It is very simple: Mr. Loeb is to accept full responsibility in the St. Paul dispatch for whatever Mr. Roosevelt says in the Outing.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

—Doctor—You have only a few moments to live. Have you anything to say? Patient—Only this, doctor—that you've made a mighty quick job of it.—Scraps.

—Brown—Did you ever have absent treatment? Jones—Oh, yes, and when I get home I'll have present treatment for being absent so long.—Brooklyn Life.

—Harold—What did she say when you turned out the gas and kissed her? Rupert—Said she felt as if she never wanted to see my face again.—Tit-Bits.

—Nell—Mr. Guzzler's conversation is rather spicy, don't you think so? Belle—Well, it is generally tinctured with the aroma of cloves.—Philadelphia Record.

—"Professor," said a senior, trying to be pathetic at parting. "I am indebted to you for all I know." "Pray don't mention such a trifle." was the reply.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

—A five-year-old boy on hearing grace asked for the first time at breakfast gravely remarked: "I only say my prayers at night. That is the dangerous time."—Life.

—Young Parks (grumpily)—I never met a man yet who was on the dead level. Old Marks—My boy, the man on the dead level is only to be found in the cemetery."—Wall Street News.

—Bridegroom (in church)—Good heavens! I've forgotten the minister's fee. Best Man—That's all right. We'll send the ushers around with the collection boxes.—Boston Transcript.

KING FOUND GUILTY.

On 27 Counts For Alleged Larceny of $25,000 From Patrons.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Boston, Mass., Dec. 19.—Guilty on 27 counts was the verdict returned by a jury in the Suffolk County Superior Court at midnight against C. F. King, formerly well known as a financial agent in this city and New York, who has been on trial for two weeks for the alleged larceny of $25,000 from patrons.

The charge to the jury at the conclusion of the trial today of C. F. King, charged with the larceny of $25,000 from persons sending him money for investment was delivered by Judge William Shoefield. Judge Schoefield told the twelve men they should bring in a verdict of not guilty on four of the 31 counts in the indictment on which, he said, the government had brought no evidence, but that the jury should carefully consider the other 27 counts.

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Doan's Ointment Cures Eczema and Itching Piles. Wilmington People Recommend It.

One application of Doan's Ointment stops itching. Short treatment cures eczema, itching piles, salt rheum—any skin eruption or skin itching. It is the cheapest remedy to use, because so little of it is required to bring relief and a cure. Here is Wilmington testimony to prove it:

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Remember the name — Doan's — and take no other.

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Mrs. Ada L. Croom, the widely known proprietor of the Croom Hotel, Vaughn, Miss., says: "For several months I suffered with a severe cough, and consumption seemed to have its grip on me, when a friend recommended Dr. King's New Discovery. I began taking it, and three bottles affected a complete cure." The fame of this life saving cough and cold remedy, and lung and throat healer is world wide. Sold at R. R. Bellamy's drug store. 50c and $1.00 Trial bottle free.

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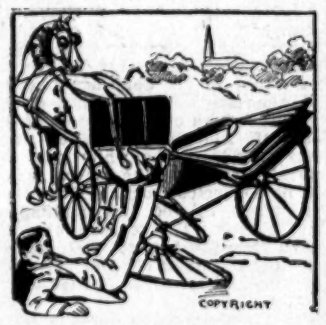

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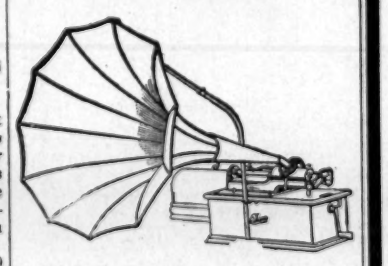

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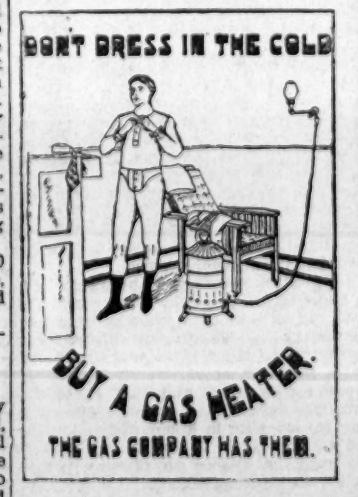

EXECUTRIX'S NOTICE.

Having qualified as executrix of the estate of Zillah Fowler, deceased, late of the County of New Hanover, this is to notify all persons owing the estate to make prompt settlement to the undersigned and all persons having claims against the estate to present same to me on or before the 9th day of December, 1909, or else this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. MRS. L. H. BURNETT.
de 10-oaw-6t. Executrix.

BOSTON & MAINE RAILROAD
Claim Department
W. A. Barker, Claim Agt.

Boston, Dec. 23rd 1908.

J. Hicks Bunting Drug Co., Wilmington, N. C.
Gentlemen:—

During a recent business trip to Wilmington I was troubled quite a little with constipation. I bought at your store a small bottle of Pink Pellets and I have never used anything that has acted so nicely on my stomach as they did. I have tried in several drug stores in Boston to find some like them but have been unsuccessful; consequently I write to you and enclose $1.00. Will you kindly mail me that amount in the little Pellets and greatly oblige,

Very truly yours
(Signed) W. A. BARKER.

N. B.—The above is a true copy of original letter we are in receipt of and needs no comment from us to an intelligent public—except that if you have any stomach, liver, or bowel trouble Pink Pellets will accomplish results. Good for man, woman or child.

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May the New Year Be the Brightest and Best Ever for All of Us!

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THE PROHIBITION LAW

Text of Act Passed at Last Session of the Legislature, Ratified by the People Last Spring and Goes Into Effect Tomorrow.

An Act to Prohibit the Manufacture and Sale of Intoxicating Liquors in North Carolina.

The General Assembly of North Carolina does enact:

Section 1. That it shall be unlawful for any person or persons, firm or corporation, to manufacture, or in any manner make, or sell, or otherwise dispose of for gain any spirituous vinous, fermented or malt liquors or intoxicating bitters within the State of North Carolina; provided, this act shall not be contrued to forbid the sale of such spirituous, vinous, formented or balt liquors or intoxicating bitters by a legalized medical depository or by any licensed and registered pharmacist for sickness, upon the written prescription of a regular licensed and actively practicing physician or surgeon having the person for whom such prescription is made under his charge, which said prescription shall specify the amount of spirits required; provided, further, that wines and ciders may be manufactured or made from grapes, berries or fruits and wines sold at the place of manufacture only and only in sealed or crated packages containing not less than two and a half gallons per package, but no wine when sold shall be drunk upon the premises where sold, nor shall the package containing the same be opened on said premises; and, Provided further, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent the sale of cider, in any quantity, by the manufacturer from fruits grown on his lands within the State of North Carolina.

Sec. 2. That all liquors or mixtures thereof by whatever name called that will produce intoxication shall be construed and held to be intoxicating liquors within the meaning of this act: provided, that medicinal preparations manufactured in accordance with formulas prescribed by the United States Pharmacopoela and National Formulary which contain no more alcohol than is necessary to extract the medicinal properties of the drugs contained in such preparations and no more alcohol than is necessary to hold the medicinal agents in solution and which are manufactured and sold as medicines and not as beverages, shall not be held or construed to be or to come within the meaning or provisions of this act.

Sec. 3. That any physician or surgeon who shall make any prescriptions (except in case of sickness) for the purpose of aiding or abetting any person or persons who are not bona fide under his charge to purchase any intoxicating liquors contrary to the provisions of this act, and any licensed and registered pharmacist who shall sell or otherwise dispose of for gain any spirituous, vinous, fermented or malt liquors or intoxicating bitters without the written prescription of a legally qualified physician or surgeon, or who shall duplicate the prescription of a physician or surgeon for intoxicating liquors for any person or persons not bona fide under such physician's or surgeon's charge, without the written direction of the physician or surgeon who gave the same, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be fined or imprisoned, or both, in the discretion of the court for each any every offense; and all licensed and registered pharmacists selling intoxicating liquors by prescription as aforesaid keep a record thereof which shall bear the true dates of the sales, the names of all persons to whom sales were made, the names of physicians or surgeons upon whose prescription the sales were made; which said record shall be subject at all times to the inspection of the Solicitor of the District, the sheriff and other peace officers of the county, the mayor and police officers of the city or town in which said licensed and registered pharmacist's business is located and all other persons; and any licensed and registered pharmacist failing to keep the record aforesaid, or refusing to permit examination of such record by the officers named or other persons, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction be fined or imprisoned, or both, in the discretion of the court.

Sec. 4. The place where delivery of any intoxicating liquors is made in the State of North Carolina shall be construed and held to be the place of sale thereof and any station or other place within said State to which any person shall ship or convey any intoxicating liquors for the purpose of delivery or carrying the same to a purchaser shall be construed to be the place of sale; provided, that nothing in this act shall be construed to prevent the delivery of any intoxicating liquor to any licensed and registered pharmacist in sufficient quantities for medical purposes only.

Sec. 5. Nothing in this act shall be construed as making it unlawful to sell to any minister of religion or any other officer of a church wine to be used for religious or sacramental purposes.

Sec. 6. Nothing in this act shall be construed to prevent the County Commissioners or governing body of any city or town from prohibiting the sale of spirituous, vinous, fermented or malt liquors or intoxicating bitters by any licensed and registered pharmacist in their respective counties, cities or towns: Provided further, that said county commissioners or governing body of any city or town may levy a special privilege tax upon any licensed pharmacist licensed to sell spirituous vinous or malt liquors.

Sec. 7. That all laws or parts of laws in conflict with this act be, and the same are hereby to the extent of such conflict repealed: Provided, however, that nothing in this act shall operate to repeal any of the local or special acts of the General Assembly of North Carolina prohibiting the manufacture or sale or other disposition of any of the liquors mentioned in this act; but all such acts shall continue in full force and effect and in concurrence herewith, and indictment or prosecution may be had either under this act or any special or local act relating to the same subject: Provided, that, if the provisions of sections 1 to 9 (inclusive) of this act shall fail to go into effect on the first day of January, 1909, because of a failure of a majority of the votes cast in the election hereinafter provided for to be "Against the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors," then this act shall not be construed as a repeal of any laws under which prohibition or a dispensary has been established; nor shall it have the effect of restoring license where prohibition or a dispensary now obtains.

Sec. 8. Any person violating any of the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Sec. 9. That the foregoing provisions of this act shall go into effect on the 1st day of January, 1909, if a majority of the votes cast at the election hereinafter provided for shall be "against the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors."

Sec. 10. That, on the last Tuesday in May, 1908, an election shall be held in the several election precincts in each county of the State of North Carolina to determine whether the provisions of Sections 1 to 9 (inclusive) of this act shall become effective. Said election shall be conducted and held under the same rules and regulations and in the same manner as elections for State officers; and, unless otherwise provided in this act, the general law regulating elections, as set forth in Chapter 90, of the Revisal of 1905 of North Carolina, and the amendments thereto, shall be applicable to said election. At said election every person qualified to vote for members of the General Assembly shall have the right to vote. At each election precinct there shall be a ballot box provided for the purpose of said election, which shall be labelled in plain Roman letters: "For or Against the Manufacture and Sale of Intoxicating Liquors." In all other respects said ballot box shall be in conformity with the general laws regulating elections, as set forth in Chapter 90 of the Revisal of 1905 of North Carolina and the amendments thereto At said election every qualified voter shall have the right to vote a written or printed ballot or ballot partly written and partly printed bearing the words, "For the Manufacture and Sale of Intoxicating Liquors," or a written or printed ballot, or a ballot partly written and partly printed, bearing the words: "Against the Manufacture and Sale of Intoxicating Liquors." The ballots shall be on white paper and shall be without device. The votes cast at said election shall be counted, compared, returned, canvassed, certified, and reported under the same rules and regulations and in the same manner as the vote for State officers, as provided in the general laws of the State above referred to, except that the Board of State Canvassers shall immediately after it has completed its canvass of the returns of the said election from the abstracts transmitted to the Secretary of State, certify to the Governor a statement of the result of such canvass and the Governor shall forthwith issue his proclamation announcing and declaring the result, and such proclamation by the Governor shall have the effect to determine the result of said election. The State Board of Elections and the several county Boards of Election are hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to take all such actions as may be necessary to fully provide for the election to be held in accordance with this Act.

The several County Boards of Elections shall meet in their respective counties, not later than the 2nd day of April, 1908, and arrange for the holding of said election by selecting and appointing a registrar and two judges of election for each election precinct in their respective counties, the duties and powers of whom shall be in all respects as provided in the general election laws of the State as above referred to. In making the appointment of judges of election the County Boards of Elections shall, if possible, each appoint for each election precinct one competent person generally known to be in favor of the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors in the State of North Carolina and one competent person generally known to be opposed to the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors in the State of North Carolina. The several County Boards of Elections shall make publication of the names of the registrars and judges of election and serve notice upon them as required by the general election laws, which shall be the same as is provided by law for similar service in case of general State elections. In order to fully effectuate the purposes of this act and to carry out the true intent and meaning of the same, it is hereby provided that the State Board of Elections in matters affecting the entire State and the several County Boards of Elections in matters affecting their respective counties shall respectively have full power and authority and they are hereby directed to make all such rules and regulations and to do and perform all such acts and things as shall be necessary to complete the details for the holding of said election and to conform the same as nearly as possible to the general laws of the State, regulating the State elections as set forth in Chapter 10, Revisal of 1905 of North Carolina, and the amendments thereto now or hereafter adopted: and if any officer shall wilfully neglect or fail to perform any duty, act, matter, or thing required or directed in the time, manner and form in which such duty, act, matter or thing is required to be performed by the terms of this act, the persons so offending shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Section 11. This Act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this 31st day of January, 1908.

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The Morning Star.

Thursday, December 31, 1908.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. Department of Agriculture Weather Bureau.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 31, 1908.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M. Wednesday, Dec. 30:

Temperature at 8 A. M. 47 degrees 8 P. M. 62 degrees; maximum 68 degrees; minimum 47 degrees; mean 58 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .03; for the month, 2.15 inches.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville Tuesday at 8 A. M. 13.3 feet.

Weather Forecast.

For North Carolina—Fair and decidedly colder Thursday and Friday, preceded by rain in eastern portion Thursday, cold wave in western portion Thursday, fresh northwesterly winds.

Port Calendar—Dec. 30.

Sun Rises.....7:11 A. M.
Sun Sets.....4:54 P. M.
Day's Length.....9 hrs. 44 min.
High water at Southport 1:43 P. M.
High water at Wilmington 3:49 P. M.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. J. J. Matheson, of Bennettsville, S. C., was among the guests yesterday at The Orton.

—Mr. J. R. Maxwell, of Whiteville, was among yesterday's arrivals in the city, a guest at The Orton.

—Many friends of Mr. C. W. Yates will regret to know that he has been confined to his home for several days by illness.

—Among yesterday's guests at The Orton were C. C. Hudson, Greensboro; J. B. Schulken, Esq., Whiteville; Professor Lauchlin McNeill, Kenansville, and T. A. Dillon, of Dillon, S. C.

—Friends of Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Martin will regret to knowof of the serious illness of their little daughter, Augusta, four years old, at Southport, where Mrs. Martin had been visiting for some time.

—J. C. Clifford, of Dunn, N. C., was in the city yesterday on legal business in connection with the Murchison National Bank cases recently tried in the Superior Court here and appealed to the Supreme Court.

—Among yesterday's guests at The Orton were W. E. McDaniel, Whiteville; B. J. Sanderlin, Council's; J. W. Carter, C. J. Cottingham and N. J. McRimmon, Maxton; L. E. Whaley, Lumberton, and Dr. H. B. Maxwell, Whiteville

PROSECUTOR PAID COSTS.

Unable to Sustain Charge of Robbery Against White Men.

On warrants charging two white men, Gordon Savage and Winnie Suggs, with holding up and robbing V. M. Walters, taking from him a violin in the southern part of the city several days ago, both were given tiral in Justice Bornemann's court yesterday and the actions were dismissed for lack of evidence. Suggs proved that he was out of town at the time of the alleged robbery and Savage had witnesses who swore that he was in another part of the city, consequently they were discharged and Walters was taxed the costs in both cases.

Aaron Harrell pleaded guilty to assaulting Peter Nixon with a deadly weapon and was sent over to higher court under $50 bond. In default of the security he was remanded to jail.

The case of Thomas McLaurin, colored, charged with forging a name to an insurance policy and obtaining money on the same, was set for trial before Justice Bornemann yesterday, but was postponed by consent of the attorneys until next Wednesday. Marsden Bellamy, Esq., will appear for McLaurin and the prosecutor, Emma Brown, will be represented by J. W. Little, Esq.

NORTH CAROLINA BISHOPS

Volume of Interest to be Issued by Mr. Marshall DeL. Haywood.

The Raleigh News and Observer of yesterday has the following which will be read with interest by all North Carolinians:

"Mr. Marshall De Lancey Haywood is to issue at an early date, or as soon as subscriptions are received to cover the cost of publication, a volume with the title, "Lives of the Bishops of North Carolina From the Establishment of the Episcopate in That State Down to the Division of the Diocese."

"The introductory chapter will be on the colonial and revolutionary history of the Church of England in North Carolina and after this there will be sketches of the lives of Bishops Ravenscroft, Ives, Atkinson and Lyman, the work really to be a history of the Episcopal church in North Carolina. Bishop Cheshire has read the manuscript and endorses the work. Mr. Haywood is a student of history and the work will prove of interest not only to Episcopalians but to others, as Mr. Haywood is a scholarly and pleasing writer. The volume will cost $1.50 and those who desire it should advise him at once."

Chastised for an Insult.

Mr. J. E. Riggs, a merchant at Seventh and Orange streets, yesterday furnished bond for his appearance Monday in Justice Furlong's court to answer the charge of an assault upon Tom Ennett, colored, who was laid out with a blow over the head with a piece of iron Tuesday night when Mr. Riggs alleges that he offered him an insult, which no self-respecting man could afford to take. Ennett required surgical attention after the affair and will be laid up several days in consequence of the injury.

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Baggage! Baggage! Baggage! Checks given for each piece. Orrell Livery Co. 'Phone 47. de 31-4t.

LOCAL DOTS.

—First Lieutenant Camden, of the revenue cutter Seminole, has been relieved from service on account of sickness. Friends in the city hope he will be able to resume his position on the staff within a short time.

—At the Second Advent Church, night-watch services will be in progress and appropriate exercises will be observed. The friends of the church are invited to participate with the congregation.

—Friends of Mr. Robert Smith will learn with deep regret that he is critically ill at his home, corner of Ninth and Orange streets. He has been suffering for several days with an acute attack of heart trouble.

—A deed was filed for record yesterday conveying from the American Suburban Corporation to W. H. McClain and B. B. Sugg, for $600, lot at Carolina Place, corner of Perry Avenut and 19th street, 66x113 in size.

—Mr. L. H. Sanders, an esteemed citizen of Pender county, passed away at his home at Burgaw Tuesday night. He was sixty-odd years of age and has many friends in Wilmington, who will learn of his death with sorrow.

—Mr. Julius Taylor has recently accepted the management of the Gem Cigar store on Front street, near Market, and enters upon the duties of his new position today. He is an enterprising young business man and has many friends, who will be glad to see him in his new place.

CHRISTMAS GERMAN.

Enjoyable Dance at Atkinson, N. C., on Monday Evening Last.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Atkinson, N. C., Dec. 30.—On the evening of the 28th one of the most enjoyable dances of the year was held at Atkinson, N. C. The hall was beautifully decorated in white and green Music was furnished by the Wilmington orchestra. The dance started promptly at 9:30 and the melodious strains of "Home, Sweet Home," accompanied the break of morn.

The german was very gracefully and skilfully led by Mr. Thomas L. Simmons, of Shelby, N. C., and Miss Annie Hubbard, of Fayetteville. The pleasure of the occasion was greatly increased by the intermingling of several "square sets" and "barn dances." Those dancing were Mr. Thos. L. Simmons with Miss Annie Hubbard; Mr. S. J. Hawes with Miss Lula Massenburg, of Lewisburg; Mr. E. A. Hawes, Jr., with Miss Lillian Colvin; Mr. Dave Sloan with Miss Kate Hawes; Dr. B. C. Johnson with Miss Sallie Herring; Mr. DeVane Murphy with Miss Lula Campbell, of Hope Mills; Mr. John R. Hawes with Miss Alice Johnston; Mr. Hayes Corbett with Miss Katie Kerr; Mr. Clifton Murphy, of Georgetown, S. C., with Miss Eloise Walker; Mr. LeRoy Walker with Miss Mildred Moore; Mr. Elliott Peterson with Miss Annie Spencer, of Norfolk; Mr. M. A. Murphy with Miss Emily Murphy, of Georgetown; Mr. Fred Simpson with Miss Florence Robinson; Mr. Ed Johnston with Miss Mattie Hawes; Mr. Albert Highsmith with Miss Ila Ward; Mr. J. Andrews with Miss Hemans Simpson, of Richmond; Mr. Philip Lucas with Miss Irene Simpson; Mr. Charlie Robinson with Miss Tinnie Simpson; Mr. David Lucas with Miss Johnson; Mr. Charlie Johnson with Miss Maggie Hawes.

Stags—Messrs. Moore, Walker, Geo. Highsmith, C. Corbett and T. T. Murphy.

Chaperones—Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Hawes, Mrs. Will Campbell, Mrs. Mittie Robinson.

WILMINGTON MAN WON

R. H. Gwaltney Captured Prize Cup in Finals of Golf Turney.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Pinehurst, N. C., Dec. 30.—R. H. Gwaltney, of Wilmington, captured the prize cup or first division trophy, in the final round of the annual holiday week golf tournament today by defeating R. E. Sproul, of the Royal Port Rush Club, Ireland, two ups in a brilliant match. Never was the score more than a stroke apart until the finish and the interest of a big gallery was keyed high.

T. S. Fuller, of the Ardsley Club, formerly of Raleigh, captured the second division trophy winning handily by 3 and 1 from D. J. Coffey, of Boston.

In the tournament the South was well represented, several coming from Columbia and other points, which indicates that Pinehurst is claiming increasing attention from Southern golf players.

GAMBLERS IN COURT.

Two Negro Men Sent Over to Higher Court Yesterday.

The principal offenders in the popolice court yesterday were Ernest Lyon and John Lewis, both colored, who answered to the charge of gambling and were placed under bond of $50 for appearance at the January term of Superior Court. The arrests were made Tuesday night by Officers W. G. Brinkley and D. W. Coleman, who located the card players in a house in the southern part of the city and watched the progress of the game for some time before they raided it.

Mr. Geo. H. Bellamy Improved.

Friends in Wilmington will be glad to know that the condition of Mr. Geo. H. Bellamy was very much improved yesterday evening and that all the doctors in attendance feel very much encouraged now over his condition. He is suffering from a recurrent attack of appendicitis and it was at first feared an operation would be necessary to save him, but the news from his bedside yesterday was decidedly more encouraging.

Mr. R. G. Rankin, Jr., Purser.

At the recent meeting of the Governing Board of the Carolina Yacht Club, Mr. R. G. Rankin, Jr., a leading member of the organization and one whose interest in the affairs of the club never abates, was elected purser, vice Mr. John B. Peschau resigned. Mr. Rankin has already entered upon his duties and the club and the Governing Board is to be congratulated upon his selection.

The Theatre

Again yesterday large audiences enjoyed the Crystal Palace's novel and most delightful holiday offering. Each clever act was heartily applauded, especially so the acrobatic toe dancing of cute and charming little Lois, and the picturesque and unique sketch presented by Chas. Mears, "the boy who plays everything on a bugle." Commencing with the matinee performances the Palace today will present a change of programme and this change will be splendid in every way. New and bright acts will be presented and as an extra big feature will be offered "Love," who is the youngest and most skilled artist now behind the footlights. This little miss is but five years of age, but she will be seen in some feats that are really wonderful for older artists to perform. She will make a special appearance for the rest of the week at the Palace.

FRANK DESHON COMING.

After an absence of two years the well known and decidedly popular comedian, Frank Deshon, will visit Wilmington next week. He will be seen in the big Whitney production of "A Knight for a Day," which is a musical comedy creation of fine parts, and which has scored heavily in the greater cities. A large company will be seen in the piece and the scenic production will be both beautiful and elaborate. Frank Deshon has always been a big favorite in Wilmington and has always drawn a jammed house. His last appearance here was in "The Messenger Boy." Before then he won fame in "Miss Bob White."

Today at the Bijou.

The Bijou will again offer this afternoon and evening two films of high-class pictures. One concerns a fellow with unusual ideas as to diet, who goes out, purchases some horse flesh, enjoys a repast and then suddenly imagines himself a horse, hitching himself to a wagon he finds while prancing down the streets and creates many laughble scenes in the further progress of his journey. It is full of comedy and will please. The other film is a pretty little love story of Bohemian life in which the central figure is a beautiful Gypsy girl, who is persecuted by the band by which she has been taken captive. A lover appears on the scene and a beautiful romance is developed.

MARRIED IN BRUNSWICK

Miss Cora Walker Bride of Mr. David Broadhurst of Whiteville.

A marriage of much interest to friends was solemnized at Town Creek, Brunswick county, yesterday, the parties being Miss Cora Walker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Walker and Mr. David Broadhurst of Whiteville. Quite a number of relatives and friends were present and the wedding took place at 12:30 o'clock, Rev. Mr. Rogers, officiating.

Immediately after the ceremony the couple came to this city and left in the afternoon for Whiteville, where they will reside. The groom is a well known business man of Whiteville and the couple were extended the best wishes of many friends. Mrs. H. F. Schulken and Mr. Martin Schulken, of Whiteville, were among the attendants.

A WOMAN'S DESPERATE DEED

Shoots a Man to Death and Attempts Suicide.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 30.—A special to the Ledger-Dispatch from Washington, N. C., today says: John Emerson Stone, aged 22 years, highly connected in Boston and New York, was shot and killed here early today by May Woodard, who then shot herself twice and may die. Stone went to the woman's house to avow his intention of leaving her. It is said she coaxed him into the house and when he refused to remain drew a revolver and shot Stone in the right temple. When he fell she fired again, the ball lodging in the base of his brain. She then shot herself twice in the forehead and temple. The doctors at the hospital say that the woman has a fighting chance for her life. Stone has two borthers, Albert Stone, of New York, and Captain Edgar Stone, United States Army, stationed in Luzon, P. I. The former is on his way here to take charge of the body.

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 30.—A special tonight from Washington says a jury to examine into the death of Luther E. Stone was sworn in this afternoon by Coroner Taylor and after viewing the remains, watching a post mortem examination, and hearing the testimony of witnesses, rendered a verdict "that the deceased came to his death from a pistol in the hands of May Woodard."

Several persons were arrested today and held as witnesses.

THE MESSINA DISASTER.

Witnessed From the Sea by Steamer's Passengers.

Marseilles, Dec. 30.—The Messageries Maratimes Picket Orenoque, which arrived here from Alexandria today, reports that at 3 o'clock Tuesday morning, while steaming 30 miles outside of Messina she experienced several formidable shocks, the passengers being greatly alarmed. The steamer passed within 60 feet of Messina and saw the city aflame between drifting columns of smoke. The city at that time was a vast heap of ruins and there were no signs of life. More than 300 vessels were adrift and the sea was filled with wreckage.

Emancipation Day Observance.

Emancipation Day services will be held at the Good Samaritan hall, corner Sixth and Brunswick streets, Friday afternoon beginning at 5 o'clock. Rev. G. B. McLean, B. D., pastor of Trinity Methodist Episcopal church, colored, will address the gathering on the subject, "The Emancipation and the Responsibility of the Negro as a Citizen." Rev. Dr. McLean is said to be a polished and interesting speaker. There will be good music and an admission of five cents for children and ten cents for adults will be charged. All are invited.

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All Toys and Fancy Goods at Cost and Less Than Cost

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WEDDING AT TOMAHAWK

Miss Florence Alderman Murphy the Bride of Mr. Lee Simpson.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Tomahawk, N. C., Dec. 30.—The marriage of Miss Florence Alderman Murphy and Mr. Lee Simpson was celebrated today at noon at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Marianna Murphy, in a beautiful and impressive manner, the Rev. A. D. McClure, D. D., of Wilmington, officiating. The bride was charmingly attired in a white lace robe over satin with tulle veil, caught with orange blossoms. The attendants were Miss Maude Paddison, of Burgaw, with Dr. W. B. Murphy, of Snow Hill; Miss Hemans Simpson, of Richmond, Va., with Mr. J. R. Hawes, of Atkinson; Miss Bessie Moore Love, of Wilmington, with Mr. Joe F. Simpson, of Point Caswell; Miss Mattie Hawes, of Atkinson, with Mr. R. H. Paddison, of Columbia, S. C.; Miss Hattye Powers, of Wallace, with Mr. Henry Murphy, of Wilmington. Miss Sallie Murphy, of Wilmington, was maid of honor. The bridesmaids were beautifully attired in white chiffon over messaline with green sashes and carried white carnations. Mr. J. Fred Simpson, of Point Caswell, a brother of the groom, was best man. Hon. Thos. J. Murphy, of Greensboro, a brother of the bride, gave her away. Miss Mary Colvin, of Atkinson, presided at the piano and skilfully rendered the wedding marches. After the ceremony the large crowd of friends present were entertained at a sumptuous dinner thoroughly typical of the old-time Southern hospitality and lavishness. The motif of white and green was emphasized in the decorations and the dinner. The presents were numerous and beautiful.

The bridal party left on the 6:30 train to attend a reception at the home of the groom's mother, Mrs. M. E. W. Simpson, near Point Caswell. There were numerous friends present from a distance and the wedding was one of the largest and most brilliant of the season in this section.

No Reorganization There.

By a slip of the type, in noting the declaration of a 4 per cent. dividend by the directors of the Southern National Bank payable on January 1st, the reporter unwittingly said this was the fifth dividend since the "reorganization" five years ago. Of course "organization" was the word, but the mistake was very natural when it is considered that a bank of its early years could hardly be expected to reach a two million dollar footing, which it has, without "reorganization" by absorption of other interests or something of the kind. The bank has done exceedingly well without any "reorganization," however.

Malaria Causes Loss of Appetite. The Old Standard GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC, drives out malaria and builds up the system. For grown people and children, 50c.

Had Bildad the Shuhite, when he went down to see Job in the land of Uz, finding that worthy patriarch covered with all kinds of sores from inflammation, handed out a bottle of Gowan's Preparation suggesting to Job to rub it in, the world's Grandest Drama would never have been written.

All druggists handle the great external remedy. Three sizes 25c, 50c, $1.00. Buy it to-day

Sale of Wines and Liquors

We have just found time to look over our stock and we have left in the neighborhood of three thousand gallons of whiskeys and wines. We must dispose of this stock by December 31st, and in order to do so we will sell at any reasonable figures.

We have been in the wholesale and retail liquor business in connection with our grocery for seventeen consecutive years and we will not sacrifice the reputation we have earned by unfair dealings in closing this stock.

We ask you to write us, to 'phone, or to call in person and we assure you that you will find things as we represent them.

Very truly,

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We have just received a car load of

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Furs! Furs!

We have on hand quite a nice selection of Furs, and anyone contemplating purchasing should not fail to give us a call. Only a few pieces of Black Lynx left, and will not be able to order more on account of the great advance in price. Now is your opportunity.

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MITCHELL WAS MURDERED

Edenton Man Victim of Foul Play. Number of Arrests and White Man and Negro are Held Without Bail—Hearing.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 30.—At the close, late today, of a two-days' preliminary hearing by Justice Dixon, and Mayor McMullan, of Edenton, Will Drew, white, and a negro named Warren, were held without bail charged with the murder of John T. Mitchell, a white man, whose body was found afloat on Edenton Bay Christmas day. Bob Francis, white, also was held under $250 bond.

Several wounds were discovered about the head when the body was found.

This led to suspicion of foul play and a coroner's jury was enpanelled and an investigation begun. A post mortem examination revealed the fact that life was extinct before the body reached the water. The coroner's jury rendered a verdict that the deceased came to his death at the hands of parties unknown to the jury.

The coroner's jury then requested a thorough investigation before the sheriff and police. Monday Will Drew, Jim Goodwin, John Lassiter, all white, and two negroes named Cook and Warren, were arrested. Later Rob Francis was arrested.

HISTORIANS AT RICHMOND

Noted Educators in Attendance. Many Topics Discussed.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Richmond, Va., Dec. 30.—Meeting in a number of separate sections, The American Historical Association in session at the Jefferson Hotel, heard a number of papers today, the most popular feature being a discussion of the teaching of history in secondary schools. The discussion on this topic was led by Professor A. C. McLaughlin, of the University of Chicago, a number of practical teachers in schools of various grades taking part. The view was accepted that in current histories too much attention was given to wars and political matters and too little to the life of the people, and that ancient history was not being taught in a way to give it a practical bearing on present day life.

In a section on the "Relation of Geography to History," President Edwin E. Sparks, of Pennsylvania State College, spoke on the influence of the geography of the South Atlantic States to their history.

Tonight Professor Charles H. Haskins, of Harvard University, read a paper on "Normandy under William The Conqueror," indicating that the English system of land registration and of local magistrates dates from that period.

EDUCATION OF NEGROES

Principal Discussion Southern Association—Gov. Smith's Address.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 30.—This was a day given over to a discussion of the educational requirements of the negro and to serious consideration of the best methods to be pursued in training the youth of that race, by the Southern Educational Association in session here. It was agreed that the question of educating the negro, as well as the socalled "negro question" in its entirety, should best be left to the Southern people and it was urged that the people of the South should devote to these matters serious patient and logical efforts.

Governor Hoke Smith addressed the convention today on the education of the negro. The great bulk of the negro race is ignorant and in the humbler lines of labor must be looked into," said Governor Smith.

The real problem is to teach them to do that work well, to do it thoroughly and then later we can teach them to do something better. We are not trying to suppress the race. We are trying to see truth and to really help the negroes.

BUCHANAN IN VENEZUELA.

Special Commissioner From America to Settle Questions.

(By Cable to the Morning Star.)

Caracas, via Willemstad, Curacao, Dec. 30.—W. L. Buchanan, the special commissioner of the American Government to the Government of Venezuela, arrived in Caracas today from La Guira. He was given a cordial reception by the officials of the new government. It has been decided to at once begin a series of conferences to treat of the question of the re-establishment of diplomatic relations between the United States and Venezuela and to formulate a basis for the settlement of all questions pending between the two governments.

The students at Caracas today paraded through the city, carrying a large doll dressed up to represent former President Castro. The effigy was finally burned.

AGAINST SOCIAL GAMBLING.

Chicago Police Begin Crusade Against Society Women.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Chicago, Dec. 30.—The police department and the law and order leaague have joined hands in a crusade to prevent society women from gambling. The edict applies to flinch, whist and eucre parties in which the trophies are cut glass and chinaware, as well as to bridge and poker parties in which high monetary stakes are the prizes.

It is declared that private residences as well as public halls will be raided if necessary.

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Horses boarding at Orrell Livery Co., have large and comfortable stalls and best attention. Try our service. de 31-2t.

TAFT OPPOSED TO CLUBS

President-Elect Will Not Encourage Political Activity in Any Form at This Time—"Taft Club" Idea Abandoned.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Augusta, Ga., Dec. 30.—President-elect Taft has effectually put a quietus upon the desire which was beginning to develop into activity to organize "Taft Clubs" throughout the South. Mr. Taft doubts the wisdom of encouraging at this time political activity in any form.

In this view he is heartily seconded by Mr. Hitchcock, Republican National chairman.

This subject was under direct consideration today at the initiative of John Hays Hammond, who was willing at this time to undertake to extend the influence and organization of the National League of Republican Clubs throughout the Southern States, preferably under the style of "Taft Clubs." Mr. Taft declared firmly against the "Taft Club" proposition. Should it become expedient at some future time to encourage the organization of the "Independent" Democratic element of the South, he believes such organizations should be called exactly what they are "Independent." The subject was discussed between Mr. Taft, Mr. Hitchcock, Mr. Hammond and Henry Anderson, of Richmond.

W. N. Mitchell, of Atlanta, who was invited here by Mr. Hammond on the subject also saw Mr. Taft.

Mr. Taft today received information from Charles Hopkins Clark, of Hartford regarding the Connecticut Senatorial contest being waged between Senator Brandegee and Congressman Ebenezer Hill. Mr. Clark favors the latter for the place. Incidentally he presented to Mr. Taft the claims of the Nutmeg State for Cabinet recognition. Forty-five Republican majority from Conecticut contributed to Taft's election, he said, and the State could furnish at least one competent member of the Cabinet.

APPEAL TO VIRGINIANS.

Gov. Swanson Asks Immediate Aid For Earthquake Sufferers.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Richmond, Va., Dec. 30.—Governor Claude A. Swanson tonight issued the following proclamation:

"To the People of Virginia: A disaster of appalling proportions has occurred in the Island of Sicily and Southern Italy. It is estimated that the lives of 200,000 people have been lost and a million rendered homeless and destitute. Never before in the world's history has there arisen a greater occasion for our sympathy or a great necessity for immediate substantial aid to sufferers.

"I believe that the people of Virginia will be glad to express their sympathy by making contributions to alleviate the present frightful distress of our fellow beings.

"Therefore, I, as Governor of this State, do earnestly request that the people of the cities, towns, villages and counties of Virginia, either in mass meeting or by private subscription make such a contribution as they are able to do for the relief of these afflicted people.

"I do further request that the people at their respective places of worship on Sunday next, or at the very earliest meeting and all fraternal organizations make collections for this purpose. Let each give as his conscience may dictate, or his means justify. The earlier these collections are made the better. The necessities of these people are urgnt and immediate."

DYNAMITED A BANK.

Robbers Exchanged Shots With Citizens and Escaped With $5,000.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Muskogee, Ala., Dec. 30.—Five robbers dynamited the bank at Wellston, Okla. east of here today and after exchanging shots with the citizens escaped with $5,000.

The robbers rode into Wellston after midnight. They erected a barbed wire barricade around the bank and while some of the members of the gang went to work on the bank safe others stood guard.

The citizens were soon up in arms and a lively exchange of shots with the robbers followed. The robbers, however, were well armed and protected and for two hours they kept the towns people at bay while others of the robbers worked on the bank's vault. When they finally succeeded in gaining the money it contained, the five men rode off, covering their departure with a constant and heavy fire.

BLAZE IN PHILADELPHIA.

Five Story Business Structure Enveloped in Flames This Morning.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Philadelphia, Dec. 31.—Fire was discovered at 1:45 this morning in the wool warehouse of Fred Wolsteinholm and Howard Boyer & Son, at 34 So. Letitia street, in the centre of the downtown wholesale district. The flames made rapid progress and the building which is five stories high is a mass of flames. A general alarm has been turned in. Wolsteinholm occupies the third, fourth and fifth floors of the building and Boyer and Son the first and second.

For the second time within two months, the five-masted schooner Marcus L. Urann, of Boston, Captain Holden, was partially burned at the coal piers at Newport News yesterday. She caught fire in the forecastle where sparks from the donkey engine reached a barrel of oil and in a few minutes the vessel was in a mass of flames. She was beached on Point Breeze, where the fire was extinguished.

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WARM WIRELETS.

The cruiser Montana will sail today from Hampton Roads under sealed orders. Her destination is not known at the navy yard.

About 3,000 bales of cotton were damaged by the fire before reported on the Spanish steamer Marte from Galveston, via Norfolk for Havre.

Joseph Salvatore Pesce, one of the leading local Italian residents of Norfolk, will aid a movement inaugurated for the aid of sufferers in Messina and Reggio.

The Abarenda sailed from Hampton Roads last afternoon for Gibraltar, where she will meet the returning battleship fleet. She has a coal cargo and quite a load of "Santa Claus" for the men of the fleet, sent by relatives.

The German steamer Sevilla, Captain Holdt, from New Orleans and Norfolk, before reported arrived at Hambury, Germany, yesterday damaged by collision, was also damaged by fire which broke out during her voyage.

The German steamer Sevilla, which arrived at Hamburg Wednesday from New Orleans, via Norfolk, was slightly damaged by collision with the British steamer Dundas, in port from Leith. Damage to the Dundas, if any, not yet known.

Announcement was made yesterday at the navy yard at Norfolk that the Brutus will be placed in commission Saturday and after coaling will sail. It is understood that she will accompany the cruisers assigned for the Panama trip of President-elect Taft.

The appointment of Bishop Denis O'Connell as rector of the Catholic University at Washington with right of succession to Archbishop Riordan was officially denied at the Vatican. It is probable, however, that Bishop O'Connell soon will be made auxiliary Bishop of San Francisco.

The Norwegian steamer Crown Prinz Olav, from Savannah and Norfolk for Hamburg has brought into Hamburg the crew of the British schooner Lolita A., Captain Courtney, from Orporto, Nov. 26th for New Foundland, which went down off New Foundland.

President Roosevelt will enjoy his only rest during the present holiday season by a visit today to the country home of Surgeon General Rixey, of the navy. He will spend the entire day at the Rixey home, which is located on the Virginia hills just across the Potomac river from Washington.

The latest news received at Norfolk and Western Railway Company headquarters in Roanoke from the Lick Branch Coal Mine disaster is to the effect that 22 dead bodies have been removed. Eighteen miners have crawled out unaided and five others have been brought out alive by rescue parties.

Marriage and divorce were taken up at yesterday's session of the American Sociological Society in Atlanta, several of the speakers declaring that drastic laws for the control of marriage rather than changes in the divorce laws were needed to halt the growth of family separation in this country.

FIRE IN ROME, GA.

Heart of Business District For a Time Threatened.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Rome, Ga., Dec. 31.—Fire which started at 9 o'clock last night and which was not under control after midnight this morning, resulted in a loss of $100,000 and for a time the heart of the business district of Rome was threatened.

The following stores were destroyed: W. H. Coker & Co., J. K. Holloway's ten cent store, W. H. Gammon & Sons. The Rome Overall factory and the dental office of J. L. Young in the Coker building were destroyed.

The store of Crawford Brothers was damaged to the extent of several thousand dollars and the Bee Hive Dry Goods Company suffered slight damage by water.

The total loss is estimated at $109,000 with $77,000 insurance.

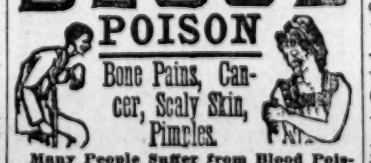
EVERY HOUR OF THE DAY.

J. Frank Jarman, the reliable Druggist of 107 Princess street, Wilmington, N. C., is having calls for "HINDIPO," the new Kidney Cure and Nerve Tonic that they are selling under a positive guarantee.

Its merits are becoming the talk of the town and everybody wants to try it, and why not? It costs nothing if it don't do you good—not one cent.

They don't want your money if it does not benefit you, and will cheerfully refund the money. Try it today.

BLOOD POISON



Many People Suffer from Blood Poison and don't know it. Read Symptoms. Easily cured by B. B. B.

For twenty-five years Botanic Blood Balm (B. B. B.), has been curing yearly thousands of sufferers from Primary, Secondary or Tertiary Blood Poison, and all forms of Blood and Skin Diseases. We solicit the most obstinate cases If you have aches and pains in Bones. Back or Joints, Mucus Patches in mouth, Sore Throat, Pimples, Copper-Colored Spots, Ulcers on any part of the body, Hair or Eyebrows falling out, Itching, watery blisters or open humors, Risings or pimples of Eczema, take B. B. B. It kills the poison, makes the blood pure and rich, completely changing the entire body into a clean, healthy condition, healing every sore and stopping all aches, pains and itching.

BOTANIC BLOOD BALM (B. B. B.) is pleasant and safe to take; composed of pure Botanic ingredients. It purifies and enriches the blood. SAMPLE SENT FREE by writing Blood Balm Co., Atlanta, Ga. DRUGGISTS, or by express. $1 PER BOTTLE, with directions for home cure.

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CAPTAIN'S DARING FEATS

Told Graphic Story of Experience With Disabled Schooner.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 30.—With the arrival in port today of the dismantled and waterlogged schooner William J. ermond, which was originally a four mast vessel the towing vessel, the United States revenue cutter Onandago, Captain Cantwell commanding, performed one of the most daring feats in her career, rivalling the famous rescue of the crew of the Sarah J. Lawrence, a few years ago off the Jersey coast. While there were no lives to be taken off the Lermond, yet every man in the Onondaga was subjected to the gravest danger and in bringing this menace to navigation into port cleared the seas of a dangerous derelict thus saving probable collision.

Captain Cantwell yesterday related a graphic story of how the Lermond was located, how she was lost, her subsequent finding again and the perils that the Onandaga was subjected to at one time nearly having dragged ashore by her cumbersome and dangerous tow and another time where there was imminent danger of collision between the cutter and the derelict.

PETITION OF COUNT DENIED.

Princess de Sagan Will Keep Children According to Count's Decision.

(By Cable to the Morning Star.)

Paris, Dec. 30.—The petition of Count Boni de Castellane that the custody of his three sons be given to his mother, the Marquise de Castellane, was denied today. The court ruled that the children remain in the custody of their mother, Princess de Sagan, formerly Miss Anna Gould, of New York.

The court ruled further that the children should not leave the Continent without its permission. Beginning October 19, 1909, tney are to be placed at a college situated within 100 miles of Paris.

SHOT WOMAN AND SELF

Attempted to Kill Former Sweetheart and Then Suicided.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 30.—An hour after he had wished his former sweetheart, now a bride of less than a week a "long life and a happy one," Ray Reese returned to her home in Kansas City, Kas., today and shot her through the breast after which he committed suicide by shooting himself. The woman, Mrs. Clyde Setzer, 19 years old, is not expected to live.

The derelict schooner William J. Lermond, from Fernandina to Philadelphia, which was wrecked and abandoned in the recent coast storm, has been towed into Norfolk by the United States Revenue Cutter Onandaga. The Lermond is a bad wreck. The schooner's crew was taken aboard the Austrian steamer Columbia and is supposed to be still aboard that vessel.

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STAR BUSINESS LOCALS

A NICE HIGH GRADE PIANO for sale cheap, by party fixing to move away. Address "Student" care of Star, and give street and number. de 31-1t*

$5.00 AND $10.00 per day can be made from the start by investing $50. For particulars address Henry Turner, general delivery, Wilmington, N. C. de 31-1t*

WANTED—All the gray foxes I can get. Will pay what is right for them. Address B. M. Ormand, care Colonial Club, Charlotte, N. C. de 31-1t*

WANTED—Horse for its board during Winter. Light driving once or twice a week and good attention. Address P. O. Box 143, Wilmington, N. C. de 31-1t*

PHOTOGRAPHS and enlargements of every description, done in an artistic and permanent manner. The U. C. Ellis Studio. de 31-tf.

THE CITIZENS' BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATION will issue its regular semi-annual series of stock on Saturday, January 2nd, 1909. Subscribers may have shares reserved for them by notifying the undersigned John D. Bellamy, Jr., secretary. dec 20 27 31.

WANTED—Two barbers, $12 a week; sixty per cent. over twenty. J. D. Lorenz, Goldsboro, N. C. de 29 3t

YOUNG MAN with banking experience desires position as bookkeeper or office clerk. Best of references furnished. Address "B. A." care of Star office. dec 29 3t*

MECHANICS' HOME ASSOCIATION—New series B. & L. stock. Walker Taylor, president; W. M. Cumming, secretary. de 18 tf ex su

FOR RENT—From January 1st, 1909, two stores at corner Nutt and Red Cross streets at present occupied by Mr. A. Rothschild. Apply to Martin O'Brien. de 27-2t*

FOR SALE—A four-room cottage in center of city on car line. Has gas, water, electric lights and telephone. Splendid neighborhood. Address "B S. W." care of Star office. noc 25-tf.

FOR RENT QUICK—30-acre farm, good house, barn, fruit trees and vines, on Shell road, three miles from the city. Address P. O. Box 906, Wilmington, N. C. de 24-6t.

LUMBER AT RETAIL—Grades and prices right. See us before buying. Angola Lumber Co. aug 30 tf

DELMONICO CAFE—Blue Point oysters on half shell and quail on toast. de 1-1m

UPHOLSTERING, repairing, varnishing, at 114 1-2 Dock street. 'Phone No. 1465. Carolina Upholstering Company, P. J. Breen, manager. de 6 tf

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The John L. Whiting make, America's standard brush manufacturers.

BRISTLE FLOOR BROOMS.
Rubber Corners, will not bruise furniture, at.....$1.75 and $2.25

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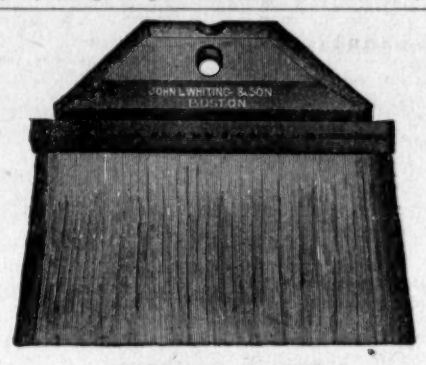
Cheaper styles, but good qualities .....$1.00 to $1.75



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Cheap grades .....25c to 50c
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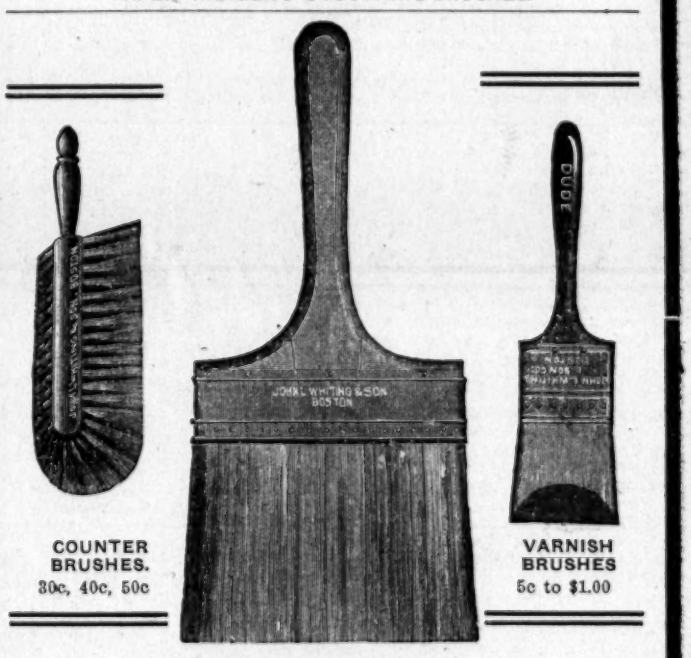

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Each.....50c to $5.00

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Long handles furnished; an efficient brush for cleaning high windows; can also be used on wood work. Prices.....50c and 60c

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All brittle, each.....65c to 75c

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Floor Waxing and Polishing Brooms, Scrub Brushes and other kinds.

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE

—Winston Sentinel: At the regular monthly meeting of the Forsyth Savings and Trust Company, a colored organization, a dividend of 4 per cent on shares was declared.

—Goldsboro Argus: The laying of rails on Goldsboro's street railway was resumed this morning, after the Christmas holiday, and will be pushed now right on to ultimate completion.

—Newbern Journal: A few buck shad were seen at the market dock yesterday but no roe have been brought in yet. The fishermen, however, expect to begin catching them in a few weeks.

—Newbern Journal: Saturday night, by cutting out a couple of window panes, a burglar with the help of a pole reached into the room where Captain J. R. Piggott was sleeping, and by pulling his clothes to the window stole a watch and sum of money.

—Newbern Journal: Prince George, the prophet, requests the Journal to announce that he will distribute one thousand present to certain deserving persons, the presentation to take place at his office corner Jones and Crooked streets between now and January 1st. He will receive his directions from on high as to who shall receive presents.

—Concord Tribune: The authorities of the Jackson Training School met Saturday and went over the work and considered all the details relative to opening the institution for pupils. The date set for the reception of boys is January 12th, 1909. One building, accommodating thirty boys and the necessary officers, will be ready and within thirty days thereafter another building accommodating an equal number will be ready.

—Raleigh, Dec. 29.—Miles Goodwin, the twelve year old son of Mrs. Miles Goodwin, fell from a Raleigh and Southport train Sunday afternoon and both his feet were crushed. Three toes were cut from one foot and the other had to be amputated. He will be crippled for life. The young man broke an arm several weeks ago. No blame attaches to the railroad company, as the youngster was hopping on and off a train.

—Washington Messenger: Expectations to the contrary notwithstanding, the holidays passed off quietly in Washington. It was freely predicted by the wise ones, inasmuch as the saloons would go out of business the first of the year, that people who never "boozed" but slightly heretofore would all get together and so try to manage things that the saloon keepers would have no stock left on hand when the first day of the new year should roll around, but, though there were a number of drunks, there were comparatively few who reached the arresting stage.

—Winston Journal: Post B, North Carolina Division of the Treaveler's Protective Association of America, held its eighth annual banquet at the Zinzendorf Hotel last night, and the occasion was a magnificent success. Eighty two drummers and guests were present and not a one but enjoyed the occasion to the fullest extent. Everything was conducive to the having of a royal time. A spread fit for a king was there, beautiful music by Blackwell's Orchestra filled the dining room, the service by the trained waiters of the Zinzendorf was wellnigh perfect, and wit and eloquence held full sway.

—Salisbury Post: The elopement of two young Salisburians was frustrated yesterday afternoon when Policeman Shoaf Poteat boarded Southbound passenger train No. 7 as it was pulling out of the yards, pulled the cord and disembarked a block south of the station with his 15-year-old daughter, Miss Mary. In the same coach was Mr. Harold Bixby, a young man two years Miss Poteat's senior. The pair had planned to go to South Carolina to marry, but Mr. Poteat got wind of their intention and arrived at the station just in the nick of time. When the young lady left the train in company with her father her sweetheart, too, concluded to abandon his journey.

—Greensboro Record Dec. 28.—With over 800 cases on the civil issue docket for trial, and constant complaint on the part of the bar for the lack of enough courts and judges this week's regular term of Guilford Superior Court for the trial of civil cases only goes by default, and no court will be held. Judge B. F. Long was promptly on hand at ten o'clock and ascended the bench. He said he would not instruct the sheriff to open court, until he had gotten the opinion of the bar upon his power to hold the court. He then stated that while it had been the custom of the judges who rode the spring circuit to hold this term of Guilford court in the Ninth District, including as it did, the end of one circuit in December and the beginning of another in January, he had not been able to find any special statute to take the case out of the law regarding the holding of courts in sections 1506 and 1509 of the Revisal, which in his opinion clearly meant that Judge E. B. Jones, who was riding the fall circuit, should preside over this term at least until January first. Judge Long stated that he had communicated with Governor Glenn and suggested that in view of this difficulty if he would authorize him to hold the term, thus giving him power, he would do so, but the Governor had replied that being a regular term he did not see how he could call a special term. Members of the bar agreed with his honor, that since the point had been raised, it would not be safe to try cases before a judge whose jurisdiction did not begin in this district before January first, and agreed with Judge Long on his construction of the law.

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A lady from Minnesota writes: "As a result of using Danderine, my hair is close to five feet in length."

Beautiful Hair at Small Cost

HAIR troubles, like many other diseases, have been wrongly diagnosed and altogether misunderstood. The hair itself is not the thing to be treated, for the reason that it is simply a product of the scalp and wholly dependent upon its action. The scalp is the very soil in which the hair is produced, nurtured and grown, and it alone should receive the attention if results are to be expected. It would do no earthly good to treat the stem of a plant with a view of making it grow and become more beautiful—the soil in which the plant grows must be attended to. Therefore, **the scalp in which the hair grows must receive the attention if you are to expect it to grow and become more beautiful.**

Loss of hair is caused by the scalp drying up, or losing its supply of moisture or nutriment; when baldness occurs the scalp has simply lost all its nourishment, leaving nothing for the hair to feed upon (a plant or even a tree would die under similar conditions.)

The natural thing to do in either case, is to feed and replenish the soil or scalp as the case may be, and your crop will grow and multiply as nature intended it should.

Knowlton's Danderine has a most wonderful effect upon the hair glands and tissues of the scalp. It is the only remedy for the hair ever discovered that is similar to the natural hair foods or liquids of the scalp.

It penetrates the pores quickly and the hair soon shows the effects of its wonderfully exhilarating and life-producing qualities.

One 25-cent bottle is enough to convince you of its great worth as a hair growing and hair beautifying remedy—**try it and see for yourself.**

NOW at all druggists in three sizes, 25c, 50c and $1.00 per bottle.

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FREE To show how quickly Danderine acts, we will send a large sample free by return mail to anyone who sends this free coupon to the KNOWLTON DANDERINE CO., CHICAGO, ILL., with their name and address and 10c in silver or stamps to pay postage.

GEO. O. GAYLORD

first wish is to thank you and everyone of you for your liberal Christmas trade The year of 1908 has been a very hard year, but we have held our own, weathered the storm of financial depression and increased the size of our store to the amount of 7,000 feet of floor space. Christmas is over and has brought many pleasures to us all, and we are now thinking and planning for 1909.

TOY'S

We have not sold out our toys, the assortment is almost complete now. Sunday Schools and Charitable Institutions can get 25 per cent. discount on all their purchases in this line. We buy like we sell, very liberal. We are still receiving new goods.

A big assortment of new Kid Goves just received, in all colors. Elegant new yard-wide Satin at $1.00 per yard. Special styles in children's Hats, were $1.75, now 98c. Ladies' Cloaks, they have taken a tumble in price as we have just bought a drummer's samples and we are letting them go at a big reduction. A few tailor-made Suits, were $10.00, now $7.50. In Furs we have a plenty. The up-to-date new Furs are sold at reasonable prices, and the cheap Furs are sold still cheaper.

OUR DRESS GOODS DEPARTMENT

has shared most liberal in our Christmas trade. The great quantity that we have sold still leaves aplenty that is new and up-to-date. We have a nice line of 54-inch Broadcloth that sold at $1.25 and $1.50, we are now selling at 98c per yard. Yard-wide Bleaching, nice quality at 7c per yard. Large assortment of Feather Pillows, a good pillow for 30c a piece; a 2 1-2 pound Pillow at 75c and up to a genuine down Pillow at $2.25. 64-inch wide Table Linen, strictly all linen at 60c per yard. 54-inch Mercerized Linen at 25c per yard.

Our Christmas trade has been better this year than last, which we justly feel very proud of. Thanking you again for your liberal support for the year of 1908, and ask that you continue through the year of 1909 the same. Remember

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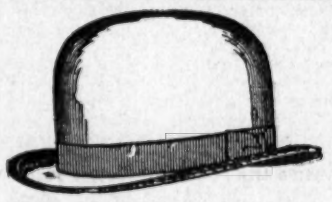

THE MONTH OF GIFTS

What shall I give for Christmas?

Every article in our holiday stock is an answer. Suits, Hats, Shirts, Caps, Umbrellas, Suit Cases, Grips, Fancy Vests, Gloves and Ties are all appropriate gifts and will be appreciated.

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The Christmas Season

is at hand and Gifts for all must be provided.

Do you know of any gift to the family or friend which would be appreciated as much as one of our Bank Books with a few dollars to their credit?

Make the deposit today while this suggestion is fresh in your mind.

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CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

Tickets on sale December 18th, 19th, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 30th and 31st, 1908 and January 1st, 1909, limited to return not later than January 6th, 1909.

For further information, reservations, etc. Phone 160.

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REMOVAL

Ed. Guion, the Barber, has removed to 121 Market street, where he will be pleased to see all of his old customers and many new ones.

GUION, The Barber.

Seaboard Air Line Railway.

Schedule effective November 29th, 1908. Subject to change without notice.

Direct and shortest line to the principal cities, South and Southwest, also connects at Hamlet with Vestibule Trains North.

Tickets for passage for all trains are sold by this Company and accepted by the passenger with the understanding that this Company will not be responsible for failure to run its trains on schedule time or for any such delays as may be incident to their operation. Care is exercised to give correct time of connecting lines but this Company is not responsible for errors or omissions.

TRAINS ARRIVE AT WILMINGTON AS FOLLOWS.

No. 44 at 12:25 A. M. from Charlotte, Hamlet and local stations.

No. 40 arrives 12:20 P. M. from Charlotte, connecting at Hamlet with No. 38 from Birmingham and Atlanta, No. 33 from Norfolk and Raleigh, No. 81 from New York and Washington, and all points North and South.

TRAINS LEAVE WILMINGTON AS FOLLOWS.

	No. 45	No. 39.
Lv. Wilm't'n...	4:45 A. M.	3:00 P. M.
Ar. Lumb't'n...	7:11 A. M.	5:43 P. M.
Ar. Maxton....	7:52 A. M.	6:35 P. M.
Ar. Hamlet....	8:45 A. M.	7:30 P. M.
Lv. Hamlet....	9:05 A. M.	8:10 P. M.
Ar. Monroe....	10:50 A. M.	10:20 P. M.
Ar. Ch'lotte....	11:35 A. M.	11:30 P. M.

No. 45 connects at Hamlet with No. 66 for Raleigh and Richmond and points North at Monroe with No. 53 for Atlanta.

No. 39 connects at Hamlet with No. 41 for Atlanta, Birmingham and Charlotte, with No. 84 for Washington and New York, No. 32 for Portsmouth, Norfolk and No. 43 for Columbia, Savannah and Jacksonville.

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Atlantic Coast Line

Schedule in Effect Sept. 7, 1908.

NOTICE.

The arrivals and departures are given as information, as well as connections with other companies; but arrivals and connections are not guaranteed.

NORTHBOUND.

	No. 43.	No. 41.
Lv. Wilmington ..	9:00 am	7:00 pm
Ar. Goldsboro	12:03 pm	9:55 pm
Ar Wilson	1:00 pm	10:52 pm
Ar. Rocky Mount...	1:35 pm	11:30 pm
Ar. Weldon.....	4:55 pm	2:36 pm
Ar Norfolk	5:55 pm	
Ar. Petersburg....	7:00 pm	4:30 am
Ar. Richmond	8:00 pm	5:10 am
Ar. Washington....	11:50 pm	8:40 am
Ar. Baltimore.....	1:41 am	10:00 am
Ar. Philadelphia...	4:21 am	12:18 pm
Ar. New York.....	7:23 am	2:45 pm

SOUTHBOUND.

	No. 41.	No. 43.
Lv New York	9:25 am	9:25 pm
Ar Philadelphia ...	11:37 am	12:15 am
Ar Baltimore	2:12 pm	3:51 am
Ar Washington	3:45 pm	4:20 am
Lv Norfolk		8:35 am
Lv Richmond	7:25 pm	8:15 am
Ar Petersburg	8:05 pm	9:03 am
Ar Weldon.....	9:59 pm	11:28 am
Ar Rocky Mount ..	11:03 pm	12:55 pm
Ar Wilson.....	11:47 pm	1:58 pm
Ar Goldsboro.....	6:15 am	3:00 pm
Ar. Wilmington ...	9:25 am	6:10 pm

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND FLORENCE SOUTH.

SOUTHBOUND.

	Daily.	Daily.	Daily.
Lv. Wil't'n	5:15 am	3:30 pm	7:00 pm
Ar. Flor..	9:05 am	7:20 pm	4:30 am
Ar Col'bia	12:25 pm	10:45 pm	
Ar. Ch'st'n	1:10 pm	11:15 pm	7:30 am
Ar. Sa'n..	6:20 pm	2:10 am	9:54 am
Ar. Jk'vlle		7 15 am	2:20 pm
Ar. Tampa		6:25 pm	12:15 am

NORTHBOUND.

	Daily.	Daily.
Lv. Tampa.....	8:55 pm	7:00 am
Lv. Jacksonville...	8:55 am	7:45 pm
Ar. Savannah.....	1:05 pm	11:59 pm
Lv. Charleston.....	5:30 pm	5:20 am
Lv. Columbia.....	4:30 pm	6:00 am
Ar. Florence	7:15 pm	2:55 am
Ar. Wilmington....	12:45 am	1:20 pm

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD.

	Westbound. Daily.	Eastbound Daily.
Lv. Wilmington..	8:40 am	Ar 8:05 pm
Lv. Fayetteville.	12:10 pm	Ar 4:45 pm
Ar. Sanford.....	1:40 pm	Lv 3:30 pm

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND NEWBERN.

DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY.

	Northbound.	Southbound.
Lv. Wilmington..	3:20 pm	1:00 pm
Ar. Newbern ...	7:00 pm	Lv. 9:35 am

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SUBURBAN SCHEDULE

In Effect, Saturday, October 10, 1908.

TO

THE BEACH

FROM WILMINGTON.

WEEK DAYS—Leave at 6:30, 7:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 A. M., 1:00, 3:00, 4:30:, 7:00, 8:30 P. M.

SUNDAYS—Leave at 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 A. M., 1:00, 2:30, 3:00, 3:30, 4:00, 4:30, 5:00, 5:30, 6:00, 7:00 8:30 P. M.

TO WRIGHTSVILLE FROM WILMINGTON.

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TO WILMINGTON FROM WRIGHTSVILLE

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TO WILMINGTON FROM THE BEACH

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TO GOLF LINKS AND DELGADO FROM WILMINGTON

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COMMERCIAL

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Dec 30.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE — Market, steady 37c.

ROSIN—Market, steady $2.75 per barrel of 280 pounds.

TAR—Market, firm $1.60.

CRUDE TURPENTINE — Market firm $1.75 per barrel for hard; $2.75 for dip and $2.75 for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—spirits turpentine quiet 39 1-2; rosin quiet $2.55; tar, nothing doing; crude turpentine firm $2.00, $3.00 and $3.00.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	14
Rosin	174
Tar	54
Crude Turpentine	42

Receipts, same day last year 18 casks spirits turpentine; 129 barrels rosin; 151 barrels tar; 10 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—Steady, 8 1-2 cents for middling.

Same day last year—Steady, 10 13-16c.

Receipts—1,320 bales, same day last year 2,022 bales.

PRODUCE MARKET.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, December 26th.)

PEANUTS—North Carolina prime 65@75c; extra prime, 75c; fancy, 80c; Virginia, prime 60@65c; extra prime 70@75c; Spanish, 75@80c.

CORN—Firm, 97 1-2c per bushel for white; 92 1-2@95 for mixed.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams, old 17c; shoulders 11 @12 1-2c; sides 12 1-2c.

EGGS—Dull at 25c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Dull at 15@35c for large springs; growns, dull, 35c.

BEESWAX—Firm at 26c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5c per pound.

BEEF CATTLE—Dull at 2 to 3 1-2c per pound on foot.

HIDES—Dr. flint, 10; green, dull 7c. per pound.

IRISH POTATOES—New 80 and 90c per bushel.

SWEET—POTATOES—Dull at 50c per bushel for yams.

WOOL—Free of burr, 15c; burry wool 10 to 12c.

TURKEYS—On foot 12 to 13c; 14 to 18c dressed. Dull demand.

GEESE—Dull 50c per head; dressed 60c.

PORK—Good demand 6 to 8c; corn fed 8c for small pork.

THE COTTON MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 30.—The cotton market was nervous and erratic all day, closing easy at a net decline of 22 points on December and an advance of 8 points on January, while later positions were 4 points higher to 3 points lower. Sales for the day were estimated at 175,000 bales, largely of January and March.

The market opened steady, at a decline of 2 points to an advance of 7 points, December being slightly lower under scattering liquidation, while later positions were generally higher in spite of rather disappointing cables. It was estimated that December notices representing about 20,000 bales were in circulation, but these seemed to be going into the hands of the big long interest, and during the early session the market showed considerable strength, led by January on covering by shorts on rumors that the cotton taken up on December contract might not be re-delivered on January as expected. That position sold up to 8.87 during the early session, or about 15 points net higher, while other positions showed a net gain of only 5 to 9 points, and continued relatively firm during the late trading, when the general market was easier under liquidation, with December particularly weak, losing all but 5 points, of its premium over January contracts.

The tone of the market toward the close was very unsettled. Tomorrow is the last of December and the first January notice day, and the market will be closed from tomorrow night until Monday morning.

Receipts at the ports today were 39,954 bales, against 67,614 last week and 24,262 last year; for the week 340,000 bales, against 365,363 last week and 361,976 last year. Today's receipts at New Orleans 17,971 bales against 9,419 last year and at Houston 7,536 against 15,010 last year.

Spot cotton quiet 10 points down; middling uplands 9.10; middling gulf 9.45; sales 3,000 bales.

Futures opened steady and closed easy.

Month.	Open.	Close.
December	9.08	8.85
January	8.72	8.80
February	8.77	8.80
March	8.84	8.83
April	——	8.84
May	8.97	8.88
June	——	8.86
July	8.93	8.87
August	8.84	8.80
September	——	8.65
October	8.69	8.65

PORT MOVEMENT.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Galveston—Steady, 8 7-8; net receipts 13,589; stock 224,020.

New Orleans—Steady, 8 7-8; net receipts 17,971; stock 525,986.

Mobile—Steady, 8 13-16; net receipts 1,390; stock 70,796.

Savannah—Steady, 8 9-16; net receipts 3,214; stock 158,597.

Charleston—Quiet, 8 0-16; net receipts 280; stock 19,950.

Wilmington—Quiet—8 1-2; net receipts 1,320; stock 29,872.

Norfolk—Steady, 9.00; net receipts 1,748; stock 28,413.

Baltimore—Nominal, 9.00; stock 29,-85%.

New York—Quiet, 9.20; net receipts 238; stock 188,008.

Boston—Quiet, 9.20; net receipts 204.

Philadelphia—Steady, 9.45; stock 5,392.

Total today at all ports, Net 39,954; Great Britain 46,262; France 1,250; Continent 6,978; stock 1,105,423.

Consolidated, at all ports, Net 176,-101; Great Britain 66,896; France 11,-954; Continent 74,108; Japan 6,680.

Total since Sept. 1st, at all ports Net 6,233,561; Great Britain 1,868,013; France 618,453; Continent 1,917,455; Japan 73,072; Mexico 4,103.

INTERIOR MOVEMENT.

Houston—Steady, 8 7-8; net receipts 7,536; stock 161,306.

Augusta—Quiet, 9 1-8; net receipts 617; stock 104,159.

Memphis—Steady, 8 15-16; net receipts 5,904; stock 189,105.

St. Louis—Steady, 9 1-8; net receipts 865; stock 40,730.

Cincinnati—Net receipts 2,163; stock 19,403.

Louisville—Firm, 9 1-8.

Little Rock—Quiet, 8 3-8; net receipts 1,069; stock 48,283.

Total today—Net receipts 18,154; gross receipts 27,161; shipments 18,-114; sales 5,221; stock 562,986.

LIVERPOOL MARKET.

(By Cable to the Morning Star.)

Liverpool, Dec. 30.—Spot moderate business done, prices unchanged. American middling fair 5.53; good middling 5.17; middling 4.99; low middling 4.79; good ordinary 4.28; ordinary 3.88.

The sales of the day were 10,000 bales of which 200 were for speculation and export and included 9,700 American.

Receipts 54,000 bales including 36,-000 American.

Futures opened quiet and closed steady, December 4.85; December and January 4.82; January and February 4.80; February and March 4.78; March and April 4.77 1-2; April and May 4.77-1-2; May and June, June and July 4.-78; July and August 4.77 1-2; August and September 4.69; September and October 4.65; October and November 4.61; November and December 4.59; December and January 4.58 1-2; January and February (1910) 4.58.

THE DRY GOODS MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 30.—Large shipments of goods are being made at the end of the year on orders booked in the past few months. Cotton goods hold very steady. Yarns are quiet with a firmer tendency. Silks are quiet but shipments on orders for January are large. Ribbons have been advanced. Underwear and hosiery are generally quiet. Retailers are placing many small filling-in orders with jobbers and others, principally looking forward to January sales.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 30.—Speculative interest in the stock market today was somewhat languid and prices fluctuated but sluggishly and indecisively. The active element among the market operators seemed indisposed to extend their commitments on the near approach of the New Year's holiday and preferred to await the turn of the year, and what it may bring to light on the future of the market. The perceptible decline of the forenoon was regarded as an effort to appraise the harm to values which has resulted from the calamity in Italy. The selling represented the opinions of professional traders rather than any forced consequence of the disaster. Deals involving minor railroads continued to circulate in the rumor form. The American Smelting stocks made another dip in recognition of the formidable competition promised in the new corporation, and Amalgamated Copper moved in company, the threatened competition being considered to represent a rivalry between interests in these two corporations.

Bonds were irregular. Total sales, par value, were $6,436,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call. Total sales today of stock were 816,-100.

FINANCIAL MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 30.—Money on call 3 to 3 1-4 per cent., ruling rate 3 1-4 closing bid 2 1-2, offered at 3. Time loans very dull and steady. Sixty days 3 per cent., and ninety days 3 to 3 1-4 per cent. Six months 3 1-2 per cent.

Prime mercantile paper 4 to 4 1-2 per cent. Sterling exchange steady with actual business in bankers bills at 4.85 to 4.8510 for sixty day bills and at 4.87 for demand. Commercial bills 4.84 5-8 to 3-4. Bar silver 50 1-8. Mexican dollars 45.

NEW YORK BONDS.

U. S. refunding 2s reg	103
U. S. refunding 2s cou	104
U. S. 3s reg	101
U. S. 3s cou	101
U. S. 4s reg	120 1-4
U. S. 4s cou	121
Amr. Tomacco Co. 6s	108 1-4
Atlantic Coast Line 4s	96 1-4
Baltimore & Ohio 4s	101 1-4
L. & N. Unified 4s	102
Seaboard Air Line 4s b	65 3-4
Southern Railway 5s	110
U. S. Steel 5s	102 5-8

Closing Stock Lists.

Amalgamated Copper	83 3-8
Amr. Car & Foundry	49 1-4
Amr. Car & Foundry pfd	107 1-8
Amr. Cotton Oil Co	42 1-4
Amr. Locomotive	57 1-4
Amr. Smelting & Ref	81 7-8
Amr. Smelting & Ref pfd	101 1-4
Amr. Sugar Refining	130
Amr. Tobacco pfd	93 1-2
Atchison	100
Atchison pfd	100 1-2
Atlantic Coast Line	107
Baltimore & Ohio	110 1-4
Baltimore & Ohio pfd	92
Chesapeake & Ohio	56 1-2
Chicago, Mil. & St. Paul	150
Colorado & Southern	57 1-4
Erie	34 3-8
Erie 1st pfd	50 1-2
Erie 2nd pfd	39 1-2
Great Northern pfd	146 1-4
Kansas City Southern	40
Kansas City Southern pfd	71 1-4
L. & N.	123 1-2
Norfolk & Western	85 1-2
Northern Pacific	142 3-8
Pennsylvania	131 1-4
People's Gas	104 1-2
Reading	141 5-8
Rock Island Co	24 1-8
Rock Island Co. pfd	60 3-4
Southern Pacific	121 5-8
Southern Pacific pfd	124
Southern Railway	26
Southern Railway pfd	61 3-4
Standard Oil Co	692
Union Pacific	182 7-8
U. S. Steel	54
U. S. Steel pfd	113
Va.-Car. Chemical	44 3-4
Va.-Car. Chemical pfd	114
Western Union	68 1-2
Westnighouse Electric Co	83 3-4

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 30.—Flour dull but firm.

Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 red 1.08 to 1.09 1-2 elevator. Options 1-2c net rise. Dec. 1.10; May 1.12 1-2; July 1.06 1-2.

Corn—Spot firm; No. 2, 66 elevator. Options 1-4 to 3-8c net higher. Dec. 66; May, July and Sept. 68 1-8.

Oats—Spot steady; mixed 54 to 54 1-2.

Lard—Firm.

Pork—Quiet.

Tallow—Firm, but dull.

Rice—Quiet.

Molasses—Steady.

Sugar—Raw quiet; fair refining 3.17.

Butter—Firm; held creamery common to special 23 to 30.

Cheese, Eggs, Peanuts and Freights—Unchanged.

Potatoes—Steady; Bermuda per barrel 4.00 to 5.25; European 1.50 to 2.10; Southern, per barrel 1.50 to 2.50.

Cabbages—Firm, unchanged.

Cotton Seed Oil—Active and strong on higher crude, covering of shorts and aggressive bull support. Prime crude 31; prime summer yellow 39 to 39 3-4. Off summer yellow 36 to 39 1-4; good off summer yellow 38 to 39 1-2; prime white 40 1-2 to 44; prime winter yellow 45 to 46 1-2.

Coffee—Steady; Rio No. 7, 6 5-8 to 6 3-4; Santos No. 7, 7 7-8 to 8 1-8. Mild Coffee—Steady; Cordova 9 1-4 to 12 1-2. Futures closed steady, net 5 points lower to 5 points higher.

CHICAGO PRODUCE MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Chicago, Dec. 30.—An official prediction for a cold wave for the winter wheat belt in this country caused a strong market for wheat here today, final quotations showing net gains of 3-8 to 1-2 to 1 3-8c. Corn closed firm and oats and provisions steady.

Leading futures were as follows:

	Open	High	Close
Wheat.			
Dec.	1 03 5-8	1 04 7-8	1 04 7-8
May	1 07 3-4	1 08 7-8	1 08 5-8
July	99 7-8	1 00 3-8	1 00 1-8
Corn.			
Dec.	57 3-4	58 1-4	58 1-4
May	61 5-8	61 7-8	61 3-4
July	61 3-4	62 1-4	62
Oats.			
Dec.	49 7-8	60	49 3-4
May	51 7-8	52 1-8	52
July	46 3-4	46 7-8	46 7-8
Mess Pork, per bbl.			
Jan.	16 17 1-2	16 32 1-2	16 32 1-2
May	16 42 1-2	16 55	16 55
Lard, per 100 lbs.			
Jan.	9 37 1-2	9 47 1-2	9 47 1-2
May	9 62 1-2	9 72 1-2	9 70
Short Ribs, per 100 lbs.			
Jan.	8 27 1-2	8 32 1-2	8 32 1-2
May	8 60	8 67 1-2	8 67 1-2

Cash quotations were as follows:

Flour was firm and prices were advanced 10 cents. No. 2 spring wheat 1.06 1-2 to 1.08 1-2; No. 3, 1.00 to1.07; No. 2 red 1.05 1-8 to 1.06 3-8. No. 2 corn 58 3-4 to 59; No. 2 yellow 59 to 59 1-4. No. 3 white oats 48 to 51. No. 2 rye 74. Good feeding barley 59 to 59 1-2. Fair to choice malting 61 to 64. No. 1 Northwestern flax seed 1.51 1-2. Prime timothy seed 3.82 1-2. Clover contract grades 9.20. Short ribs, sides (loose) 7.87 1-2 to 8.37 1-2. Mess pork, per bbl. 14.50 to 14.62 1-2. Lard, per 100 lbs. 9.47 1-2. Short clear sides (boxed) 8.50 to 8.75.

NAVAL STORES.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 30.—Rosin steady, turpentine quiet 41 1-4.

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 30.—Turpentine firm 38 to 38 1-2; sales 400; receipts 4.39; shipments 55.

Rosin firm; sales 3,733; receipts 3,-304; shipments 71; stocks 168,853. Quote: A. B. C. D. E. 3.02 1-2; F. 3.-07 1-2; G. 3.05; H, 3.45; I, 4.20; K, 5.-10; M, 5.80; N, 6.15; WG, 6.40; WW, 6.50.

Charleston, S. C., Dec. 30.—Turpentine firm 37 1-2. Rosin firm. A. B. C. D. E. 2.92 1-2.

MARINE

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 30, 1908.

C. C. Railroad—57 bales cotton, 18 barrels tar, 3 barrels crude turpentine.

W. & W. Railroad—98 bales cotton, 50 barrels rosin, 2 barrels tar.

W., C. & A. Railroad—945 bales cotton, 10 barrels tar, 4 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—88 bales cotton, 9 casks spirits turpentine, 100 barrels rosin, 24 barrels tar.

W. &. Railroad—132 bales cotton, 5 casks spirits turpentine 24 barrels rosin, 35 barrels crude turpentine.

Total—1,320 bales cotton, 14 casks spirits turpentine, 174 barrels rosin, 54 barrels tar, 42 barrels crude turpentine.

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Joel F. Sheppard, 493 tons, Sheppard, C. D. Maffitt.

John H. May, 319 tons, Stille, C. D. Maffitt.

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State Will Prove Half Reelfoot Lake Population Spent Night With Other Half on Night of Murder. Other Details of Case.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Union City, Tenn., Dec. 30.—The question of whether a wife can testify for her husband was raised today in the trials of the eight alleged night riders for the murder of Captain Quentin Ranken, and the court ruled that under the laws of Tennessee, a wife could not testify for or against her husband.

When the defense offered to examine Mrs. Bud Morris, wife of one of the eight indicted men, the State objected, and was sustained because the only alibi she could testify to would be in behalf of her husband. The defense then put Mrs. Bob Hoffman and Mrs. Sam Applewhite on the stand, and Mrs. Hoffman testified to an alibi for Sam Applewhite, and Mrs. Applewhite for Bob Hoffman, both women alleging that the Hoffman's were the guests of the Applewhite's on the night of the murder of October 9th.

Evidence introduced today made it evident that half the Reelfoot Lake population spent the night of the murder with the other half. The State not only admits this but will offer additional proof to substantiate it. But the State's theory varies from that of the defense. The State contends that the various male heads of families, knowing that they were going out to kill Ranken and Taylor that night, took their wives to the houses of friends in order that the women might not be left alone in the lonely lake homes.

Almost every witness introduced by the defense is a relative of one of the indicted men. The defense explains this by saying that the residents of the Lake region have intermarried for years until nearly all families there are connected by marriage ties.

The first witness today was 16 years old Della Frog, a bride of three weeks, who has been a resident of the Reelfoot Lake district all her life. The girl married a soldier named Frog, who came here from Nashville under the Governor's orders. Mrs. Frog was picking cotton with Herschel Hogg the day of the Ranken murder. She denied that Tid Burton came to Hogg that day as Hogg swore he did, to tell the latter of the plans to kill Colonel Taylor and Ranken that night.

After a dozen or more alibi witnesses had been examined, Attorney Pierce for the defense got into an argument with the court and for failure to sit down and keep silent and told the court to do so. Pierce's wife was fined $15.

THE ERB MURDER CASE

Progress of the Trial of Wife and Mother Who are Defendants.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Media, Pa., Dec. 30.—The trial of Mrs. M. Florence Erb and her sister, Mrs. Catharine Beisel for the murder of Captain J. Clayton Erb, progressed rapidly here today. Adjournment was announced until tomorrow morning. About ten witnesses were examined, among them the servants in the employ of the Erb household at the time of the tragedy and some officials who investigated the crime.

The testimony, the defense's lawyers said, tended to sustain the contention that Mrs. Beisel, as she has maintained from the first, fired the fatal shot. Each witness who described the scenes at the house, after the shooting testified that she admitted having taken the revolver from Erb and turned it on him. There was direct testimony, however, to uphold her contention that she acted in self-defense. The testimony in no manner associated Mrs. Erb with having done the shooting.

PROHIBITION IN ROANOKE.

The City Goes Dry by a Majority of Eighty-Six Votes.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Roanoke, Va., Dec. 30.—In a local option election here today the "drys" were victorious by a majority of 86 votes. The "wets" carried three of the four wards, their total majority in the three wards being 107. The "drys" carried one ward by a majority of 193. The effect of the election will be the closing within 90 days of 42 saloons and a half dozen mail order liquor houses. Besides these there are four clubs holding retail licenses. The town also has a large whiskey distillery and a big beer brewery. The anti-saloon league has pledged itself to give $10,000 to aid in enforcing the law after the saloons are closed.

The fight has been one of the bitterest ever waged in Virginia. It is said the wets will contest the election.

Where Bullets Flew.

David Parker, of Fayette, N. Y., a veteran of the civil war, who lost a foot at Gettysburg, says: "The good Electric Bitters have done is worth more than five hundred dollars to me. I spent much money doctoring for a bad case of stomach trouble, to little purpose. I then tried Electric Bitters, and they cured me. I now take them as a tonic, and they keep me strong and well." 50c at R. R. Bellamy's drug store.

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THE HAINS-ANNIS TRIAL

Lawyer for Defense Breaks Down From Over-Work—More Testimony for Defense by Servant of Household of Defendant.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Flushing, N. Y., Dec. 30.—A sudden indisposition of John F. McIntyre, chief of counsel for Thornton J. Hains, caused an adjournment of the trial this afternoon until tomorrow.

Mr. McIntyre complained of illness during the morning session and an early recess was taken at his request. Mr. McIntyre found himself unable to go on with the case this afternoon, and Justice Crane ordered an adjournment to Thursday. Dr. Austin Flint, the alienist for the prosecution, informed Justice Crane that Mr. McIntyre was suffering from overwork and that a short rest would probably prevent a break down later, which would cause a longer adjournment. Mr. McIntyre was seized with dizziness while examining Major John Hains, U. S. A., brother of Thornton Hains, who had been called and was testifying to his brother's mental condition, which is said to have been brought on by marital troubles.

Major Hains was the principal witness for the defense today. In a voice that trembled with emotion, Major Hains told the jury of the changes that he had noted in Captain Hains' mental condition from a year ago to the time when the Captain told of those happenings that led to the separation from his wife. All through his testimony the tears fell from Major Hains' eyes.

Major Hains said Captain Hains displayed evidences of being irrational and that his mind constantly reverted to the things that had been told concerning his wife's alleged conduct with Annis.

Mrs. Peter C. Hains, mother of the defendant, is reported here to be quite ill in New York, and it is said that she may not be called as a witness.

Minnie Rhone, the cook of Captain Hains' household, was re-called to the stand today. She said she made a mistake last night when she said she told Captain Hains the night of his return from the West of the happenings in the household; that it was two days later. The witness said she overheard at 2 o'clock Sunday, two days following Captain Hains' return from the West a confession of Mrs. Hains to her husband. The witness further declared that Mrs. Hains told her of a trip to New York last Spring. Captain Hains, the witness said, broke down when told of the New York trip to see a physician. He wrung his hands, and cried: "It can't be true."

BEHEADED AGED MOTHER

Deed of Insane Son—Claimed He Was Divinely Inspired.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Dec. 30.—While in a fit of insanity Arthur Trotter, 33 years old, today killed his aged mother, Mrs. Ann Trotter, by beheading her with an axe and a knife in her apartments on West 18th street. Trotter jumped from a second story window as the police broke in the door but was found outside practically uninjured and then offered no resistance to arrest. He declared that the end of the world was coming and that he had been divinely inspired to commit the crime.

Trotter is said to have quarreled frequently with his mother, who was a woman of 70 years and of reputed means, and only yesterday, the police say, he finished a 6 months' prison term for beating her. He was lodged tonight in the psycophatic ward at Bellevue.

FREE PASS QUESTION

As to Newspapers Before Federal Supreme Court.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Washington, Dec. 30.—Whether newspaper and magazine publishers may legally accept transportation over the railroads in return for advertising in their columns probably will soon be decided by the Supreme Court of the United States. The Chicago, Indianapolis and Louisville Railway Company, generally known as the Monon Route, has brought to that court a case involving this question, and it is probable that the court will find in it a subject of such general importance as to justify it in advancing the hearing. The suit originally was instituted by the Government in the United States Circuit Court for the Northern District of Illinois. That court held that such a transaction would, in all probability, result in discrimination and, therefore, decided against the company.

HAVE FRIENDS IN MESSINA

Distress of Italian Consular Officials in Norfolk.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 30.—Vincenzo Cabes, secretary of the Italian consulate here, and Joe Miano, of Portsmouth, are both from Messina, Sicily, one of the Italian cities that suffered so disastrously in the recent earthquake in Southern Italy. Mr. Cabes wife and family were there and he has as yet been unable to learn anything of their safety. His home was not directly in the city of Messina, and he is hopeful that his wife and children escaped. He also has many other relatives in Messina and feels that some must have lost their lives. He is much distressed.

The German steamer Haardt, from Hamburg, Dec. 27th, for Charleston, puts in at Falmouth, leaking and with sundry deck damages.

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STRICKEN ITALY IN DEEPER GRIEF

Horrors of The Disaster Not Yet Realized by Outsiders.

NUMBER OF CASUALTIES

Increases With the Investigation—The King and Queen Join in Rescue Work in Messina—Inquiries as to American Tourists.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Washington, Dec. 30.—Ninety Americans in the Messina Hotel that was destroyed and Italians and Americans co-operating in the quest for information regarding the missing are reported upon in a cablegram the State Department today received from Ambassador Griscom at Rome.

The Ambassador cabled that he has received on word from the American consuls at Messina and Palermo. He has asked the foreign office for information and that office, he adds will use every effort through army and navy officers to obtain immediate news.

The British consul at Messina is reported injured and his wife and children dead. The Ambassador says it is reported that 90 Americans were in the Triniacria Hotel at Messina, which is said to be totally destroyed. It is known, however, that some of the guests escaped.

The foreign office reported that several foreign nations are hurrying warships to the scene to offer assistance. The Ambassador has dispatched consular officers in the quest for information.

Rome, Dec. 30.—Ambassador Griscom returned late this afternoon from the foreign office where he went to make inquiries regarding the Americans who may have been in Calabra and Sicily at the time of the disaster. It is not believed there were any Americans at either Messina or Raggio when these cities were demolished with the exception of American Consul Cheney and wife. There may have been some American tourists at Taormina, but no casualties have been reported from that place.

Washington, Dec. 30.—Every effort is being made by the State Department to obtain news of American citizens who were in the earthquake zone in Italy and whose fate has caused their friends much uneasiness and an appeal to the department to help locate them. Ambassador Griscom was directed to cable promptly any information obtainable regarding the missing people, and to send some of the American vice consuls in Italy to the scene of distress to render whatever aid possible. Efforts also are being made to keep in communication with Deputy Consul Lupton at Messina, to the end that prompt advices may reach here regarding any Americans in trouble there.

The State Department announced that it will make public promptly to the press any information received from its officials in Italy, so that news from there will reach those immediately interested at the first possible moment. The department's information is that the Winter tourist season has not yet fully begun in Sicily. The impression among officials is that those Americans who were in the earthquake zone in that island were mainly at Taormina.

Many inquiries came to the department regarding friends believed to be in the earthquake region.

Naples, Dec. 30.—The commander of the Russian battleship Makharoff, which has arrived here with refugees from Messina, brings word that Arthur S. Cheney, the American consul at Messina, and his wife, died under the debris of the consulate.

Contania, Dec. 30.—King Victor Emanuel and Queen Helena arrived at Messina today on board the battleship Vittoria-Emmanuele. They at once disembarked and made their way into the ruined city. As soon as it was known that the King and Queen had come crowds of the terror-stricken populace swarmed around the royal party, prostrating themselves in the mud and crying aloud for pity. This reception was too much for the Queen who almost fainted.

Many terrible stories were told to the King in connection with the work of rescue. His Majesty, however, lost little time in listening to a recital of difficulties. He immediately joined a rescue party and labored as unremittingly as the others. He personally extricated several injured persons hung in the ruins.

The Queen quickly recovered her courage and followed the example of her husband. She devoted her attention principally to the little children. She rescued with her own hands a little boy 3 years old, bleeding from many cuts and wounds and herself carried him to the dock where she handed him over to members of the hospital corps. At the dock where many small boats sent in to take the wounded out to the ships in the harbor. Every available steamer in the port has been fitted up as a temporary hospital.

People wept from emotion when they saw the King and Queen of Italy come ashore. The women threw kisses to her Majesty. Both were practically carried up the pier in the arms of their subjects. The presence of the King has acted in a general inspiration. Even the wounded found fresh strength when they learned his Majesty had come among them. An aged man who had been abandoned on a beam that apprently crushed out his life, revived for moment at the shorts of greeting to the royal pair. He stretched out his hand and raised his head long enough to call out: "Now I can die happy. Long life to the King." He then fell back and expired.

An overpowering stench is beginning to arise from the ruin of Messina. Ten thousand soldiers will be required to bury the dead there.

It was learned today that General Colli lost his life at Messina.

Unspeakable Horrors.

Naples, Dec. 30.—Time only confirms the unspeakable horrors of the earthquake. History will perhaps never divulge its supremest individual tragedies, for earth and sea recklessly claimed thousands of human beings and the flames mercilessly completed the unfinished devastation. Naples is vibrant with the memory of Vesuvius, is prostrated anew at the misery and woe from Messina confided to her care. The hospitals, hotels and homes are crowded with refugees, and the people are vieing with one another in aiding the stricken.

Those who have expert knowledge on the subject agree that the center of the cataclysm was the strait of Messina, which also is the center of the volcanic zone whose highest peak, Etna, is now silent. From this base, the telluric disturbance extended, abating little by little, northerly as far as Cape Vaticano and southerly as far as the Bay of Catania, ravaging the western region of Calabria and the eastern coast of Sicily for a distance of nearly 100 miles.

It is impossible to accurately ascertain the extent of the movement east and west in the inland regions, but it is certain that the beauty of one of the most charming sections of Southern Italy has been irrevocably despoiled. Vineyards are no more; waving rows of lemon, orange and olive trees have been torn up and the enchanting coast line, with its soft and fragrant foliage, has been converted into a hideous desert. Reggio, whose gay aspect set off the severity of the mountains, and Palmi, perched jauntily amid orange and olive trees, have become mere blots on the horizon.

Survivors Cling to Homes.

Catania, Dec. 30.—The latest news from Messina sets forth that some progress is being made in the work of succoring the wounded survivors, but no attempt is being made to remove the wreckage. The troops and sailors have been obliged to shoot down robbers who persisted in looting. The entire local treasury of the Messina branch of the Bank of Italy, some $2,000,000, has been saved and is on board an Italian warship.

The rescuers at Messina are rapidly becoming exhausted. The fires have not yet been put out, and there is no water with which to combat the flames. Many of the people still refuse to leave the ruins of their houses. They cling to the sites of their homes, crying out that their only safety is in fidelity to the wrecks of their houses. Force often is necessary to get them to the ship's in the harbor. There are large numbers in the suburbs of Messina who will not come back into the city for fear of a recurrency of the shocks.

$50,000 For the Sufferers.

Washington, Dec 30.—At the meeting of the executive committee of the American National Red Cross it was decided that inasmuch as the California relief work of the society terminates tomorrow, to appropriate from the surplus of the fund for that work now in the hands of the Red Cross, the sum of $50,000 for the benefit of the sufferers in Southern Italy. It was arranged that this money should be transmitted tomorrow through the States Department direct to the Italian Red Cross at Rome in order that it might be utilized at once.

Tourists Escaped Disaster.

New York, Dec. 30.—Had the disaster in Southern Italy occurred a month later, according to local managers of European tourist agencies, a greater number of Americans and other foreigners would have perished than doubtless has been the case. This would have been so, they point out, because the season for tourists in Sicily and Calabria is at its height in the latter part of January and really does not begin until after new years, either for Americans or Northern Europeans.

One of the few direct cable messages reaching this city from Messina since the earthquake was received today by Giorgio W. Peirce, of the New York office of the Sicilian-American Steamship Company, of which his father is the president and his uncle is the vice president in Messina. The message which had been sent from Naples, says:

"Messina entirely destroyed by earthquake. I and family safe."

Mr. Pierce said that the family home is not in Messina proper, but one mile away. However, it is situated on the shore, wherefore he presumed that the tidal wave that swept the city did not extend to that point, but was confined to the harbor. Mr. Peirce was of the opinion that the loss of life in the shipping in the port must very greatly have added to the casualties.

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